

THE WEATHER TODAY  
Forecast for Eastern New York:  
Generally fair Saturday and Sunday,  
somewhat colder in north and cen-  
tral portion Saturday.

# Oneonta Daily Star

UP TO THE MINUTE  
COUNTY AND LOCAL NEWS

ONEONTA, N. Y., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1920

MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

PRICE THREE CENTS

## PRIME TERROR IS AGAIN RIFE

Holdup in Murray Hill Hotel, New York, Brings Redoubled Efforts on Part of Police

## HIGH BAIL IMPOSED

Lawrence Hawthorne, Found Guilty of Hotel Astor Burglary, Given 30 to 60 Years

New York, Dec. 24. — New York tonight sought relief from its crime in the peace of Christmas eve in a day marked by the sudden revival of the apparently waning activity of law breakers.

Holdup early today in the Murray Hill hotel, on Park avenue, brought public police efforts, and tonight a man was arrested in Brooklyn, through whom, police officials declare, hope to clear up several robberies and holdups recently in Manhattan, Brooklyn and New Jersey. With them a woman who was held as a material witness.

Two Crooks Captured.

The men attempted to escape, but were caught after several shots had been fired by the officers. They were charged with assault and robbery in connection with the holdup December 12 of Charles Redfern, chief of the subway, N. Y. J. fire department. Two men, the police said, have criminal records.

Another precautionary move, by Commissioner Enright and Park Commissioner Gallatin issued orders to Central park to pedestrians and to the order, it was announced, is the "protection of the public."

The criminal court judges continued in drastic measures today. High bail was imposed on all criminals who were arraigned and Lawrence Hawthorne, who pleaded guilty to a charge of burglary in connection with the hotel Astor holdup last week, was sentenced to serve from 30 to 60 years state prison.

## Murray Hill Hotel Holdup.

New York, Dec. 24. — The hope that New York's crime wave had begun to subside, engendered by an apparent lull in serious outbursts during the last 10 days, was dashed this morning when a holdup was staged in the Murray Hill hotel on Park avenue.

A man about 5 feet 4, with a scar across his face, entered a suite on the fifth floor occupied by Robert L. Ireland, who grappled with the intruder, aroused from slumber. Mr. Ireland was ordered by the intruder to get out of bed and throw up his hands, warning the second command, the man tossed off the sheets, sprang up and made a flying tackle.

The robber shook himself loose and brief struggle followed. Then the intruder fled and Mr. Ireland gave the alarm.

Smashing under the taunt of another hotel break, following on the heels of a sensational holdup at the hotel Astor last week, the police arrived on the double quick and were sent all around the hotel in the hope of catching the robber who it was thought might have concealed himself in the building.

The burglar entered the Ireland room some time before 8:45 a. m. for that hour Mrs. Ireland heard him awake her husband, who said the intruder on the floor trying to pry in a jewel box with a screw driver. According to the police Mr. Ireland had a revolver while struggling with the burglar, but the latter hit him with a chair and knocked the weapon from his hand. Mr. Ireland had directed his wife to telephone for assistance, but the intruder seized her and placed her before him as a shield.

## Fifth Avenue Shoppers in Frenzy.

Returning to the fray with a piece of the broken chair, Mrs. Ireland landed several blows before the robber fled. The guest followed him in his jammed down through the corridors and down four flights of stairs, losing him when the robber made a dive into a basement.

Mr. and Mrs. Ireland had been seen at the hotel, located about a block from the Grand Central station, about three years. Before his retirement from business, Mr. Ireland, to his 54 years old, was connected with the Mark A. Hanna company of Cleveland and associated with Dan Hanna in ownership of Cleveland newspaper properties.

Christmas shoppers on Fifth avenue today were thrown into excitement by a string of police whistles and cries of "stop, thief!"

Dashing through the traffic, the police ran for several blocks until a boy and fell to the pavement. He was arrested on complaint of a officer for Robert Baskins, a merchant, who alleges that a \$500 fur hat had been taken from a present in his automobile while his employee was in a jewelry store.

According to the police records, the officer was released from Sing Sing a few years ago.

A term of 30 to 60 years in state prison was the sentence received today by Lawrence Hawthorne, who pleaded guilty to a charge of burglary in connection with the hotel Astor holdup last week. Sentence was imposed by Judge McFadden in the court general sessions.

During the struggle Mr. Ireland

## EUROPEAN MARKETS AVENUE TO FARMERS

President of American Farm Bureau Federation Suggests Outlet for Country's Produce

Washington, Dec. 24. — Opening of the markets of Russia, Germany and of other foreign countries to American farm products through the handling of securities by those nations by the war finance corporation, was suggested by J. R. Howard, president of the American farm bureau federation today to the senate agriculture and banking committee.

Mr. Howard's plan as outlined by the two committees in joint session, would provide for the extension of credits, by having such securities as foreign countries might be able to give for the purchase of American farm products handled by the war finance corporation, either through selling them to American investors or by issuing debentures based on such securities. Mr. Howard emphasized that his plan did not involve putting the treasury behind such credits.

In the case of Germany, the farm bureau federation head suggested that the American credit he made a first lien on all resources and income of that country by taking priority over the claims of the allies for reparations. Such a step, he said, would be possible under the Versailles treaty and the only thing necessary would be to obtain the consent of the allied governments to the making of such credits a priority over such reparations.

The federal reserve board, through Governor Harding, suggested to Chairman McLean of the banking committee, introduction and consideration of a bill authorizing federal land banks to make direct loans to the public for agricultural purposes and authorizing the secretary of the treasury to deposit funds with or purchase the debentures of those banks.

Such a measure, the board said, would prove more effective for the purpose of making additional credit available than a bill permitting the treasury head to deposit earnings of the federal reserve banks of a special deposit to cover extensions of such credits.

A bill of the latter nature has been introduced by Senator Hitchcock, Democrat of Nebraska. W. W. Beauvoir, New York, who claims to represent the German government with authority to secure a loan of a billion dollars for the purpose of buying American farm products, was present in the committee room but did not appear as a witness.

No date was set for another hearing by either committee, but members said that additional hearings might be held after the holidays.

## THOUSANDS HELD UP AT NATION GATEWAY

More Than 15,000 Prospective Citizens Must Pass Christmas Aboard Liners or Otherwise

New York, Dec. 24. — Within sight of the Goddess of Liberty, the emblem of the country of their hopes, more than 12,000 prospective citizens, recent steamer arrivals from a dozen countries, today resigned themselves to spending Christmas on board ship rather than on land.

At Ellis Island, the gateway through which all steamer passengers must pass, another 3,000 were held awaiting action of inspectors who would grant or deny them the right to land. The congestion at Ellis Island and aboard ship was due to an influx of large liners.

Passenger agents here on various lines saw to it, however, that the day was not to be passed on board the ships without substantial evidence of Yuletide and the commissioner in charge of Ellis Island, aided by various relief organizations, provided Christmas cheer for those detained at the station.

## REPORT SEVERE 'QUAKE IN PROVINCE OF KAN-SU

Tokio, Japan, Dec. 24. — A Shanghai dispatch to the Shensi Shinbun, reports a terrific earthquake in Kan-Su province on December 15, with casualties estimated at 2,000.

The seismograph at Georgetown university, Washington, was reported on December 15, as recording the most severe earth disturbance of two years.

## FIND GIRLS REMAINS.

Lyons, Dec. 24. — Workmen discovered a little heap of bones and a buckle in the ruins of the Lyons High school at noon today. They are believed to be that of the girl who was killed by Elizabeth Burns and Helen Baltzel, little girls who have been missing since the fire that destroyed the building on Wednesday afternoon.

Several times to use his pistol, but it missed fire.

Firecoats made a thorough search of the hotel without finding trace of the burglar.

It was believed the intruder entered with the aid of a skeleton key. No jewelry was taken.

It was learned today that three months ago burglars entered the hotel and stole \$150.

### To Star Patrons

Your good will and kindly  
Co-Operation in the past are  
Warmly Appreciated

Equally warm and sincere is  
Our wish that your Christmas  
May Be Happy  
And that Good Fortune may  
Attend you through the  
New Year

The Publishers

## PROFIT SHARING CUTS PAY ROLLS

Employees of Newbern, N. C., Iron Works Find New Agreement Costs 10 P. C. Reduction

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 24. — Employees of the Newbern Iron Works and Supply company received today their first week's pay from the profit sharing basis established by the company by agreement with the workers. The pay obtained in the envelopes handed out today represented a reduction of 10 per cent from the wages received a week ago, and the new scale of pay based on profits above actual operating expenses was said by company officials to represent roughly the scale put forward by the concern several weeks ago before the profit sharing plan was agreed on.

Leaders among the employees after the payroll had been distributed said that while not pleased with a reduction in wages they were convinced that the company was giving them a square deal and that they were getting their full share of actual profits made.

Ernest I. Willis, president of the company, in a statement given out after the men had been paid off, declared the officers of the concern had not turned over the plant in any way to the workers, but had arranged a sliding scale of pay which operates on the volume of business done.

"I want it distinctly understood that I am president," said Mr. Willis, "and that we have not turned our plant over to the workers. Our company still is operating and we will continue to do so. We are merely trying to satisfy our employees and to make it possible for them to continue at their tasks and make a living wage."

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS CABLED BY CARDINALS

New York, Dec. 24. — Christmas greetings from Cardinals Mercier of Belgium and Luçon of Rheims to the American public were received here today at headquarters of the Knights of Columbus.

Cardinal Mercier said support of his reconstruction fund by Americans had provided Belgians with a happier Christmas than it otherwise could have been. Cardinal Luçon declared the recent Knights of Columbus pilgrimages would remain the most striking civic memories of Rheims.

## IMPRISON IRISH EDITOR.

Dublin, Ireland, Dec. 24. — P. H. Hooper, editor of the Freeman's Journal, has been sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment, and a fine of 3,000 pounds sterling has been imposed on the publication of an article alleging ill-treatment of a prisoner in the Porto Bello barracks.

## War Romance Ended Just After Wedding

Newark, N. J., Dec. 24. — A small, dark-eyed girl who arrived here yesterday from Naples, Italy, and her soldier hero, Romeo Brullo, whose bride she became a few hours later, were found dead from asphyxiation today in their small Academy avenue apartment.

When Romeo, a wounded member of the 30th Infantry, left Italy for the United States, his sweetheart, whom he had met while on leave from the front, was at the embarkation camp to bid him goodbye.

"Never mind, Carmalia," he said, "after the war I'll find you money. You come to me in America and we'll be married and live happily for years and years."

A month ago in Italy, Carmalia received money for steamship fare and with it a note:

"Come to me, my sweetheart, and we will be married at Christmas time."

After the simple wedding at Ellis Island, relatives of Brullo feasted the veteran and his bride. The celebration lasted into the early hours of this morning.

When the couple retired, it is believed Carmalia, who at home was used to oil lamps, blew out the gas.

## MILLIONS OF LITTLE ONES SAVED BY FEEDING FUND

New York, Dec. 24. — In a cablegram of Christmas encouragement to the overseas workers of the organizations comprising the European Relief council, Herbert Hoover, director, announced tonight that \$10,000,000 had been pledged to the council's \$32,000,000 Child Feeding fund, meaning that 1,000,000 of the 3,500,000 destitute children in eastern and central Europe are assured of life until the next harvest.

## REPORT PRODUCE PRICES CHEAPER

Cabbage Is Selling For \$11 a Ton in Cincinnati Where a Year Ago It Brought \$85

Washington, Dec. 24. — The American housewife in doing her marketing today for Christmas dinner found vegetable and fruit prices much below those of a year ago, according to a comparative announcement of prices issued today by the department of agriculture.

Potatoes in the larger cities, the price analysis showed, averaged about \$1.55 a hundred pounds today the country over, as compared with an average of about \$5.75 a hundred pounds a year ago. Cabbage was reported to be selling at \$11 a ton in Cincinnati, where a year ago the price was \$85, with the contrast said to be nearly as great in other cities. Onions ranged from \$10 to \$12.50 a hundred pounds in large lots, compared to \$5 and \$5 a year ago. Baldwin apples were selling from \$4 to \$5 a barrel for the best grades, as compared with \$7 to \$8 last season.

## THREE CHRISTMAS PARDONS

Extension of Clemency in More Than 50 Other Cases Have Been Ordered by President Recently

Washington, Dec. 24. — Three pardons as President Wilson's Christmas gift to men serving sentences in federal prisons were announced today by the department of justice. They were Clarence Brown, serving a life term for murder at Atlanta; Rufus Castleberry, serving a life term at Leavenworth; and Edward C. Rogers, serving two years at the United States penitentiary at McNeil Island, Washington, for violation of the narcotic laws.

Commutation of sentence and extension of clemency have been granted in some 50 other federal cases during the last two weeks to men with good conduct records whose sentences had nearly expired, the department announced.

## VOTE REVIVAL OF PASSION PLAY

Peasants of Oberammergau, Bavaria, Are Ambitious That Portrayal Survive the Late War

## AN OLD TIME CUSTOM

Play Is Fulfillment of Vow Made by Villages in 1634 as an Act of Gratitude

Oberammergau, Bavaria, Dec. 24. — The Yuletide finds Oberammergau on the eve of a plebiscite, not a plebiscite to determine boundaries nor political alignments, but a plebiscite of the elders to determine whether in their opinion the Christmas spirit is widespread enough in the world to make it possible for them to enact the passion play in 1922 and attract visitors from former enemy countries to see it.

The Oberammergau peasants portray the sufferings and death of Jesus Christ in fulfillment of a vow made by the villagers in 1634 to present the sufferings of the Savior every 10 years as an expression of the village's gratitude of having been spared from a plague. The last presentation of a passion play was in 1910, the peasants being unable to present it in 1820 because of the unsettled conditions of the world and the havoc which the late war wrought among the performers and musicians.

Munich will hold an industrial exposition in 1922, which is expected to attract many visitors and consequently Oberammergau could reasonably expect a good attendance in that year if the Munich fair proves successful. However, the peasants of Oberammergau are considerably divided as to the advisability of attempting the presentation so soon. Many prefer to wait until 1924, which would place the play in its natural 10-year sequence, exclusive of the four years of the war.

Anton Lang, who enacts the role of Jesus Christ, and other leading characters in the play, naturally favor an early production because of their age and a determination that the drama survive the war. Lang was in the sanitary corps during the war, being too old to serve in the trenches.

The costumes for the play are intact but greater expense would attach to repairing the assembly hall, seating 5,000, which has been sadly neglected.

The passion play is essentially a matter of the heart and soul with Oberammergau peasants. All of them are anxious to resume it at the earliest moment possible, when they are sure it can be done without bankrupting the village and they have finally decided to submit the question to a secret vote of the council of elders. They have agreed to abide by the decision of a ballot to be taken within the next few weeks.

## BETTER PAY FOR PRINTERS

New York Book and Job Workers Get Increase of \$2.50 to \$5 Weekly Through Arbitration

New York, Dec. 24. — Several thousand workers in the New York book and job printing industry will receive an increase in pay of \$2.50 to \$5 weekly under the decision of a board of arbitration announced here tonight.

The award is retroactive to October 1, 1920, and was made upon the basis of a seven and a half per cent increase in the cost of living since January 1, 1920.

The board of arbitration was composed of George Kirchway, formerly dean of the Columbia law school, William M. Henson, impartial chairman of the labor adjustment board of the Rochester clothing industry, and William F. Osburn, professor of economics at Harvard college.

Job printers, sheet straighteners, paper cutters, mailers and bindery women are affected by the decision.

## SPURRED TO RESISTANCE

Mayor of Fiume Addresses Declaration to Populace Inciting Them to Extreme Resistance

Fiume, Dec. 24. — Communication with Fiume is most difficult owing to the strict blockade which has been put into force. Riccardo Gigante, mayor of Fiume, has addressed a proclamation to the people of the city, inciting them to extreme resistance and announcing that he takes up on himself the responsibility for shedding blood.

Late reports from Fiume say the work of putting the city into a state of defense is going on "energetically." All foreigners have been asked to leave within three days in order to diminish consumption of the necessities of life. Theaters must close at 10 p. m., and circulation in the streets at night is prohibited.

## REMEMBER FRENCH RIDDLES.

New York, Dec. 24. — American women driving motor trucks played Santa Claus this week to 5,000 children in the war torn provinces of France. Toys and other presents were collected throughout that country by the League of Officers and Ex-Soldiers of France, and the American committee for relief of France distributed them. Devastated France distributed them, the latter organization announced tonight. The most of the gifts went to the provinces of Alsace and Rheims.

## HARDING WISHES PUBLIC VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

Marion, O., Dec. 24. — President-elect Harding issued the following Christmas greeting tonight:

"Like every normal human being, I wish everybody a very Merry Christmas. It gets us out of a rut to join in a national chorus of cheer and good will."

"There is peace, there is confidence in the future, there is cheer in the belief that the distress of today is quickly to pass and that we may hope as well as wish for a prosperous New Year."

## TELLS OF SHOOTING OF HAROLD C. TAGY

Chauffeur Describes Ride About Cleveland on Night of the Alleged Slaying

Cleveland, O., Dec. 24. — The defense in the second degree murder trial of Judge William H. McGannnon for the shooting of Harold C. Tagy, on May 8, put J. E. McCaffery, a chauffeur, on the stand today to testify that he was driving Miss Mary E. Neely, chief witness for the state, around the East End at the time she testified on Tuesday she "saw McGannnon pull out something from his pocket, simultaneously a shot rang out and Tagy lurched forward."

McCaffery, business agent for the Chauffeurs' union, swore he answered a call from an East End apartment house shortly before midnight on May 7. Three women came from the house and got in the car. One of the three was Miss Neely, he testified. He drove the party to a house in Ivanhoe road, he said, where all three women got out and remained for an hour. When they came out, he swore, he drove them to another place in Central avenue and from there drove them back to the apartment house.

The entire trip, he said, lasted nearly three hours, from about 11:45 p. m. to 2:30 a. m.

Previous witnesses had testified that Tagy was shot at 12:27 a. m.

## WHISKEY RUNNERS LODGED IN PRISON

One Was to Have Realized \$2,250 From \$500 Investment, He Tells Customs Officers

Newport, Vt., Dec. 24. — Joseph Geneste, who told the authorities he was a bailiff of the superior court of Sherbrooke, Quebec, was lodged in jail here today on a charge of smuggling liquor across the border after customs officers had stopped his automobile and confiscated the 200 quarts of whiskey and 19 quarts of wine which it contained. Geneste said he was bound for Berlin, New Hampshire, and that he had been guaranteed \$2,250 for the liquor delivered. He said it cost him \$500.

In the jail at St. Johnsbury tonight was Arthur L. Spinney of Brookline, Mass., who said he was employed as a street car conductor in Boston and who was arrested on a train bound for Boston. The police seized his three suit cases filled with whiskey. A companion escaped by jumping from the train and running off. Spinney said this man, who was a stranger to him, had persuaded him to join in a trip to the Canadian border to get the whiskey.

## BUFFALO SEEKS INQUIRY

Asks "Building Trust" Investigators to Probe Conditions Thought to Exist in That City

New York, Dec. 24. — The joint legislative committee investigating the "building trust" has been requested to go to Buffalo and hold hearings. This request, it was learned today, was made by representatives of the municipal government and business interests of that city.

An investigator of the committee has been updating several days making a preliminary survey of the situation. He has made a report which is understood to disclose similar circumstances to those brought to light in our previous hearings here. While Senator Danahy, chief counsel for the committee, has made no announcement regarding business in Buffalo, it was learned that the committee will go there if the trip really can be arranged, with the work being completed in New York city probably late in January.

## ONE DRUNK INSUFFICIENT TO LOSE ONE'S POSITION

New York, Dec. 24. — A single act of drunkenness is not sufficient, under the laws of New York state, to justify the discharge of an employee who is under contract, two justices of the supreme court held in a decision here today. A third justice dissented and declared a single act of drunkenness during business hours is "inexcusable."

The decision was given at an appeal from the American committee for relief of France, distributed them, the latter organization announced tonight. The most of the gifts went to the provinces of Alsace and Rheims.

## HARDING VISIT PLEASES TAFT

Former President, in Statement, Discusses Senator's Views of Proposed Society of Nations

## TO REST CHRISTMAS

No Conferences Nor Engagements Are Scheduled For Today at President-Elect's Home

Marion, Dec. 24. — President-elect Harding's last conference on the proposed society of nations before making his political affairs to enter into the Yuletide spirit and its activities, was held today with former President William Howard Taft, whose ideas as to the League of Nations have not always coincided with those of the new party leaders.

The former chief executive of the nation arrived only this morning from Chicago and had breakfast with Senator and Mrs. Harding. Then they began a conference which continued until almost noon, when Mr. Taft left for Cincinnati, where he will spend Christmas with his brother, Charles P. Taft, his son, Robert, and other relatives.

Retiree as to Results.

Neither the former president nor the President-elect would discuss the result of the conference. Mr. Taft, however, gave a formal statement in which he discussed the senator's views on the Versailles league and the proposed society of nations advocated by Senator Harding. No intimation was given that cabinet positions were discussed.

Mr. Taft's statement follows:

"I enjoyed very much my conference with Senator Harding. I found that he had been using his conferences with his visitors to formulate and confirm the general views he expressed in his speech of no opinion and that of August 28 and that he felt confident that the desire of the American people, as interpreted by him in his campaign experiences and in the results of the election, was to avoid the political and military obligations of the treaty and the League, but that he feels strongly the necessity for reaching a common ground with the leading powers on the world foreign agreement that shall secure a gradually effective limitation of armament, a court with jurisdiction over justiciable questions, and a conference of nations to negotiate and press a compromise of every non-justiciable question threatening war and which shall give us the benefit of the adjustment of our relations with Germany secured to the United States in the treaty without objectionable features of the provisions of the treaty as shown in the Republican reservations and without participation in such commissions under the treaty as concern European nations."

"I am much encouraged to think that the senator is working out a practical solution which may not be wholly satisfactory to the enthusiasts at either extreme, of whom I may be considered one, but will satisfy those anxious to make progress and anxious to give the United States the leadership she would have been guiding all the nations to permanent peace so far as that is practicable."

Definite Program Suggested.

"Of course, the senator is properly chary of a definite program, because it must depend on the circumstances, which only actual conferences with all concerned may develop, but that he is bent on working out in a very practical way a real and useful association is most apparent. He is in an accommodating state of mind as to details and even important provisions if the definite objections he always expressed to the method and aims and obligations of a political and military character contained in the treaty are obtained in the new agreement."

Senator Harding has no conferences nor engagements scheduled for tomorrow. With Mrs. Harding, he will eat Christmas dinner with half a dozen newspaper men, whom he has invited to be his guests. Most of the morning will be spent by the President-elect and Mrs. Harding opening the hundreds of presents which have been received from all parts of the country.

## CHECKS SENT TO I. W. W. LEAVENWORTH INMATES

Leavenworth, Kas., Dec. 24. — A check for \$10.00 was received today by Warden Anderson of the federal penitentiary from the headquarters of the Industrial Workers of the World at Chicago for distribution among the prisoners who belong to that organization. Thus 50 prisoners will receive a \$2 note Christmas morning.

In addition, all so-called political prisoners will receive a basket of fruit and some tobacco distributed by the I. W. W. Welfare league.

## PROHIBITION OFFICER SLAIN.

Bayonne, N. J., Dec. 24. — Believed to have met death fighting whiskey runners, the body of J. E. McGuinness, prohibition enforcement agent, was found on the shore of Newark Bay tonight, a bullet wound in the head.

A revolver was clasped in his right hand. His hat, lying nearby, was torn by a bullet.



# ONEONTA THEATRE

—VISIT O. S. HATHAWAY'S—  
ONEONTA'S LEADING PLAYHOUSE.

We Don't Stop At Wishing You **A MERRY XMAS** But We Supply It

See What Santa Left in Our Stocking For the Amusement and Entertainment of the Entire Family



**TODAY'S MENU**  
Served for Your Entertainment and Amusement

No. 1-- **OVERTURE**

No. 2-- **THE GUMPS**  
Oh Min. 'Tis to Laff

No. 3-- **Charlie Chaplin in Work**

No. 4-- **COMING EVENTS**

No. 5  
**HELEN HICKS**  
Vaudeville's Juvenile Singer

No. 6—  
**HUGHIE FISHER**  
AND  
**BOBBY BAILEY**  
VOD-VIL'S  
Classy Pair



No. 7—  
**ETHEL EDMUND'S**  
Will render in illustrated form Harry Vo. Tilzer's latest song success,  
That Old Irish Mother of Mine

No. 8  
**FRANK MAYO in**  
**THE MARRIAGE PIT**  
From the Famous Story  
"BLACK FRIDAY"  
A Story of a Woman Who  
Fell in Love With Her  
Husband  
NO. 9 Episode Two of Hidden Dangers  
NO. 10 EXIT MARCH

You can come as late as 3 P. M., 7:30 and 9:30 and see the Vaudeville, The Marriage Pit and Hidden Dangers. The serial closes each show.

TO-DAY at 2:30 ADULTS **22c** **TO-DAY** AT 2:30-7 and 9 p.m. **TO-NITE** at 7 and 9 ADULTS **28c**  
Children at the Matinee To-Day 11c — Children To-Night 22c

# O. S. HATHAWAY'S ONEONTA THEATRE ALL NEXT WEEK

EVERY EVENING AT 8:15

MATINEE DAILY AT 2:30

PRICES (EXCEPT SATURDAY)

Adults 28c Children 17c

GRAND HAPPY NEW YEAR'S WEEK ATTRACTION

ORTH & COLEMAN'S

# TIP TOP MERRYMAKERS



# FADS and FOLLIES

WITH

# A. L. LEMONS

Lew Orth - Al Coleman AND A CHORUS OF  
REAL AMERICAN BEAUTIES

OPENING PLAY "AT PHUNN INN"

Entire Change of Program Wednesday, Friday and Saturday

GALA MATINEE NEW YEAR'S DAY  
SEATS NOW ON SALE FOR ALL PERFORMANCES

GORGEOUS  
COSTUMES  
HANDSOME  
SCENERY

EVENING PRICES  
28c - 39c - 55c and 83c  
BEST MUSICAL STOCK COMPANY THIS SEASON

20 PEOPLE  
80 Per Cent  
GIRLS



## OTSEGO COUNTY NEWS

## MRS. BENEDICT AT REST.

Services for Schenectady Woman Held Thursday Afternoon. — The funeral of Mrs. E. Benedict was held at the home of her brother, George Bennett, Thursday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. Fred Connell, of the Methodist Episcopal church. Among those present out of town were Fenimore G. Bennett of Oneonta and Fenimore B. Bennett of New York city.

Schenectady Sittings. — On Gurney of Portland, Me. has been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. John Grimes Jr. — Mr. and Mrs. H. Wild left Thursday evening for Providence, R. I., where they spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Higgins. — Archie and of Connersport, Pa., and Mr. Mrs. Harold Wild and daughter, Mrs. Schenectady, are Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Higgins. — Mrs. James Acheson is from the Mt. Vision sanitarium. — Yale and Perryman of Cleveland, Ohio, are in for Christmas.

## MARRIED IN SCHENECTADY.

Daisy Tice Becomes Bride of James Clinton Ritchey. — Schenectady, Dec. 24. — Wednesday evening at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage James Clinton Ritchey and Daisy Tice, both of Maryland, united in marriage by the Rev. V. Connell. They will reside in Schenectady.

Union Service Sunday Evening. — Sunday evening there will be a union service at the Baptist church, at 8 o'clock. Dr. J. A. Hensley, district superintendent, will preach.

Reception of Members. — Sunday morning at the Methodist Episcopal church Rev. F. W. Connell will receive a class of probationers into membership and several by letter. Christmas services will be held at the morning service and in the day school.

WESTFORD. — Westford, Dec. 24. — Mrs. Arthur Haddock and children of South Center are spending some time

A SAFE FAMILY MEDICINE  
Dr. David Kennedy's  
FAMILY REMEDY  
For Coughs, Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Allergies, Eczema, Scabies, Ringworm, and all other skin diseases. It is a safe, reliable, and effective remedy for all these ailments. It is sold in all drug stores.

## For Your Christmas Festivities

We are preparing the most delicious desserts, and with our efficient service, prompt attention may be assured.

A Few of Our Specialties—Neapolitan, Maple Nut, Strawberry, Vanilla, Chocolate.

**Kandyland**  
THE HOME BAKERY  
PHONE 679

## Wait--On Monday, Dec. 27

On Monday, Dec. 27, at 10 a. m., we are having a wonderful five-day extension sale. Everything sold at lower than ever prices.

## GREENBERG'S

128 Main Street, Oneonta  
By Order of G. W. Groves & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

## THE WISE STOCKOWNER

is his cattle on the best feed he gets. He knows it pays better than other kind. To that end he buys feed where only the best is sold. You have stock of any kind from hens up, we urge you to give our feed the test of trial. You'll find it more satisfactory than the ordinary feed.

**Morris Brothers**  
ONEONTA, N. Y.



OUR LATEST WALKING SHOE  
With the popular military or Cuban heel is a real beauty. It is cut high, of course, fits the foot like a glove, and is as comfortable as a slipper. As for style and smartness, you'll recognize these in this shoe with your first glance. Better come and have a look at it. We doubt if we can get more like it to sell at our present price \$5.98.

Floyd F. Taylor Company  
160 Main St.

traction to the youngsters than the supper. The evening was greatly enjoyed.

A Christmas program of more than usual interest was given by the pupils of Mrs. Barney's and Mrs. Chase's rooms at the High School Thursday morning and the room was well filled with mothers and friends of the youngsters. The exercises were greatly enjoyed by all.

Christmas exercises were held at the Presbyterian church Thursday evening. A very pleasing program was rendered and at the close light refreshments were served. Each of the youngsters in the Sunday school classes received a Christmas gift.

## Leave for Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cooper and children departed this morning by automobile for Decatur, Georgia, where they will spend the winter. Mr. Cooper, who has been rural delivery carrier on Route 4 from Cooperstown, has been transferred to Georgia.

## Hose Company Elects Officers.

At the annual meeting of the Milford Hose company held at their rooms last Monday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, William B. Armstrong; vice president, William C. McKort; secretary, Harley J. Beames; treasurer, Stanley H. Osborn; foreman, Leon M. Barnard; assistant foreman, Stuart D. Haggart; steward, Stanley S. Harrison; trustees, E. H. Van Buskirk, E. H. Elder, F. G. Manter, A. M. Woodcock and F. E. Culver.

## MT. VISION.

Mr. Vision, Dec. 24. — Mrs. Ida Beams, after spending a very enjoyable week here with her friend, Mrs. Allison Hall, has returned to her home at 35 Ford avenue, Oneonta. — Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reichard and children of Syracuse are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Aukley. — Silas Wright of West Windfield visited his mother, Mrs. Amelia Wright, the first of the week. — Ossian Field is home from Ann Harbor, where he is attending school.

## Social at Westville.

Westville, Dec. 24. — The Home Bureau will hold a social at the grange

## DELAWARE COUNTY NEWS

## HOBART BREVITIES.

Program of Christmas Services at Village Churches—Local Notes

Hobart, Dec. 24. — Holy communion at 10:30 Christmas morning in St. Peter's Episcopal church. There will be Christmas carols and a Christmas tree Sunday at 7 p. m.

Morning worship at 10:30 in the Methodist church Sunday; subject of sermon, "The Light of God." Sunday school at 11:45. Epworth league at 6:45; topic, "A Purpose Meeting." Leader, Miss Glennie Over. Union service at 7:30 in the Presbyterian church.

Usual morning worship at 10:30 in the Presbyterian church. Rev. Martin will preach. Sunday school at 11:45. Christian Endeavor at 6:45; topic, "A Purpose Meeting." Leader, W. E. King. Union service at 7:30 p. m.

## Personal Mention.

Harold Wright left today for New York, where he will spend the Christmas holidays. — Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Hawkins and daughter, Virginia, were guests Thursday night of friends in Bloomsburg. — Fred W. Hillis has returned to his home here from Hartford, Conn., where he has been employed for several months past. — Ralph Rose of Rosess Brook was a business caller in town Friday. — Miss Frances Cowan, who is taking a course in Home Economics at Syracuse university, is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Cowan. — Hon. Harry Stevenson of New York city and a cousin, Miss Helen Stevenson, of Salem, arrived Friday evening to spend the Christmas season with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stevenson on Upper Main street. — James Stevenson, John Cowan, Richard Mulhalko and Bailey Foote of Cornell university at Ithaca, are here to spend the Christmas season at their homes. — Mrs. Frank T. Stillman returned from Oneonta today, where her husband underwent an operation at the Fox Memorial hospital for the removal of a bone in his foot, which he broke when he fell at Stamford.

## Sustains Fractured Ankle.

Davenport, Dec. 24. — Robert L. McArthur, residing about three miles east of this village, had the misfortune to fracture the small bone of the left ankle today while attempting to fasten some nippers upon the shoe of one of his horses. The horse gave a sudden lunge and Mr. McArthur was thrown several feet, the ankle being broken as he fell. Dr. Crang attended him and reduced the fracture.

## DELHI DAY BY DAY.

Milking Machine Agent to Move to Village—Christmas Exercises.

Delhi, Dec. 24. — Charles H. Thompson has sold his residence on Second street to Everett Palminter of Andes and will be in possession April 1st. Mr. Palminter is agent for milking machines and also has the agency in Andes.

## KI-MOIDS

FOR INDIGESTION  
In new granular form, dry on tongue, or with sticky water, hot or cold, preferably hot.  
QUICK RELIEF!  
Price, 25-50-75¢  
ALSO IN TABLET FORM  
MADE BY SCOTT & BOWNE  
MAKERS OF  
SCOTT'S EMULSION

## THOUGHT SHE HAD HEART DISEASE

"FRUIT-A-LIVES" Made Complete Cure of Stomach Trouble



MRS. FRANK W. WALLACE

Moultonville, Carroll Co., N. H.  
"An account I read about 'Fruit-a-lives' or Fruit Liver Tablets in one of our newspapers prompted me to try this remedy."

I was all run down and work was burdensome owing to indigestion and flatulence, due to gas on my stomach which caused me to belch a good deal. My heart seemed to be affected.

It was two years ago that I was in this condition and began the use of 'Fruit-a-lives'. Even though the trouble had been of a few years standing, the use of 'Fruit-a-lives' proved the very remedy I required. I was freed of the indigestion, which I attributed to my heart; and I can conscientiously recommend 'Fruit-a-lives' as a remedy of merit."

Mrs. FRANK W. WALLACE.  
50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size 25c. At dealers or from FRUIT-A-LIVES Limited, OGDENSBURG, N. Y.

hall Wednesday evening, Dec. 23, the proceeds to go for the Eastern Relief fund. Cake, sandwiches and coffee will be served.

des, Delhi and Meredith, for the Western Electric Power and Light company and will have a more central location for his territory by coming to Delhi.

Will Move to Franklin. — Clarence H. Epps, who has been employed in a garage in Waton for some time, will move to Franklin the first of the year and open a garage in that place. Mr. Epps was formerly employed here and his wife was Miss Lena Schieler of this village.

Christmas Exercises at M. E. Church. — Christmas exercises and a Christmas tree were held in the Methodist church Thursday evening. There was a large attendance and after gifts had been distributed, refreshments were served to the children.

## Personal Mention.

Mrs. James Bennett of Syracuse, who came here to attend the funeral of Mrs. William Mable, returned to her home Friday. — Miss Elsie Danahy, who is attending Albany Business college, is home over the holidays. — Miss Alice Sidson closed her home here and will go to East Orange, N. J., and New York city to spend the winter. — A son was born on December 18th in Edinboro to Mr. and Mrs. F. Crisp Lee. Mrs. Lee will be remembered here as Miss Marian Thompson.

## Hello! Oneonta People!

My folks expect to be mighty busy after January 1st and I'm going to try and ease up on them. It's this way: Since last January I've started little fellows at safely rolling small amounts, at compound interest, up to over a million dollars and by giving all a fair chance and a square deal, my life and let life game has become so popular that I expect a big rush of little fellows in my new bunch that I am going to start the first of the year, to thus safely roll up another million or more. In order to have more time to explain my grand work and treat people nice, I am going to commence at once to start those who would avoid the rush. Go to No. 34 Chestnut street and if my folks don't have time to tell you, remember that a very strong feature of my fair chance and square deal game is that you can withdraw a portion or all of the money that you place with me at any time, with a reasonable share of its earnings and that should you borrow money of me, for homes and farms you can pay back any portion or all of it at any time and thus reduce your monthly payments and stop interest. I mention this, because there are smart folks who won't be fooled and are constantly telling lies about me, in order to keep you from getting ahead of them. If you're wise, you'll pay no attention to the chatter of these human Pott Parrots. By the way, if you'd go a kindness, tell others about me. I'm the safe and sane Oneonta Building and Loan association.

Just received, direct from the Indians, a choice assortment of sweet grass baskets and shopping bags. For sale at moderate prices at 45 Ford avenue. Make your choice early. Goods will be laid aside for Christmas.

J. W. Pomroy and Claude Sellsack have leased a building of W. E. McDonald and will open a garage and general repair shop at Davenport about January 1st.

House and lot at 13 Franklin street for sale. Inquire Carl F. Shack, 24 Chestnut street, Cooperstown, N. Y.

A three months' subscription to The Star for \$1.50.

## MATINEE

2:30  
...22c...  
Children, 12 Years or younger, all shows 11c

## STRAND

The Theatre Where You Take No Chances

## EVENING

First show at 7 o'clock  
Come as late as 9:15  
and see it all  
...22c...

We wish to assure you at this time that we fully appreciate your splendid support for the past year and will endeavor to play only such attractions as will merit your approval for the coming year.  
C. J. Rose, Mgr.

## Special---Today Only

We have arranged a splendid special program that will be in keeping with the day. Matinee at 2:30. Evening, first show at 7 o'clock. Come as late as 9:15 and see it all.

## ATTEND THE MATINEE IF POSSIBLE

**BEATRIZ MICHELENA**  
and her own company

**The FLAME OF HELLGATE**  
ROBERTSON-COLE



EXTRA ATTRACTIONS ADDED  
**SNUB POLLARD** in "Go As You Please" A Laugh a Second  
**"PATHE REVIEW"** That wonder feature finished in nature's beautiful colors.  
**MUTT and JEFF** in "League of Nations" More laughs for every age—young and old.

"RUTH OF THE ROCKIES," That Clever Western Serial. Matinee Only.

MOTHERS—Let the children come to the Matinee, we will give them personal attention.

SPECIAL NOTICE—ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY  
We will present a William Fox Super-Special, adapted from one of the world's most famous books. REMEMBER—It is not a serial.

**WILLIAM FOX**  
Presents

**Pearl White**  
The **WHITE MOLL**  
AUTHOR OF THE MIRACLE MAN

A colossal super-crook drama with an amazing spiritual twist.

The story of a girl who fought her way back against tremendous odds.

Sounds the uttermost depths of the human emotions.

On the Same Program

**Clyde Cook**  
Earth's funniest man in a new comedy sensation  
**"All Wrong"**

You remember his other comedy, The Huntsman? then don't miss this, his latest effort.

## Lieutenant Horton Laid to Rest.

The body of Police Lieutenant Floyd Horton, who was murdered by New York city auto band and last week was laid to rest last Wednesday in a little village cemetery beside the Delaware river, about six miles distant from the heart of Horton, the heroic officer's birthplace. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the Methodist church. The Rev. George Matthews, pastor, took for a text, "He saved others himself, a good man." During the services, over 200 persons were present. A small group of friends and hundreds of bested friends and acquaintances were present at the grave. The Masonic service was conducted by Postmaster Frank Thompson.

## Tracking—Phone 352.

ANNUAL MEETING  
The Wilber National Bank of Oneonta, N. Y.

The annual meeting of the Wilber National Bank of Oneonta, N. Y., was held at the hotel here last night. The bank is the only one of its kind in the county. The meeting was held at the hotel here last night. The bank is the only one of its kind in the county. The meeting was held at the hotel here last night. The bank is the only one of its kind in the county.

## ONEONTA PUBLIC MARKET

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 9 TO 1 P. M.

COR. MAIN AND MARKET STREETS

Mr. Producer: Here's your opportunity to sell your surplus produce of all kinds.

Mr. Consumer: Buy here and secure your produce direct and at moderate prices.

By both co-operating the Public Market can be made a great utility to each.



## The Oneonta Star

Entered as second class mail matter.  
BUSINESS OFFICE: 11 BROAD STREET  
Oneonta, N. Y.

MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
The Associated Press is a corporation organized under the laws of the United States for the purpose of gathering and distributing news by wire, radio, and other means. It is the largest news-gathering organization in the world.

OTSEGO PUBLISHING COMPANY.  
Proprietor.  
HARRY W. LEE, President.  
J. W. FARRINGTON, Vice President.  
F. M. JACKSON, Sec'y and Treas.  
HARRY W. LEE, Editor.

Subscription Rates: By carrier—\$5 per year; by mail—\$3.50 per year. Single copies 5 cents. By mail—\$1.00 per year. Postage paid at Oneonta, N. Y.

## THE CHILD AT CHRISTMAS-TIME.

When Christ, the Son of God, was born.

The kingdom came and unfolded.  
From all the thrones before Him, He took a child.

This is the twelfth century story to one significant act. Christ showed what was like to the kingdom of heaven and who are the inhabitants of that kingdom. They are the undesired, those whom life has not suited and whom the world of selfish thoughts and experiences has not enlightened. They are not necessarily the young in years—not all of them—but also those who through the experiences of life have attained to that child-like spirit of faith and humility which is an attribute of the pure in heart who shall see God.

The Child from the earliest days of Christendom, has been the type and emblem of the faith. The child upon the breast of the Madonna, the lad who makes with Mary and Joseph the fight to Egypt, the boy who wrought in the shop of the carpenter, the youth who disputed with the doctors in the synagogue, these are the figures which stand out in the early days of the new dispensation; and later it was Christ himself who turned often in sermon and in saying to the child. It was the children who should be suffered to come unto Him. It was the children whom He blessed.

These things being so, it is not to be marveled at that the celebration of the natal day of Christ should so largely have become a day for the children. It is the children for whom for long weeks there is planning; it is the children to whom gifts are most largely given; it is the children for whom there is the most generous, the most loving, often the most pitiful thought; and this, one may believe is perhaps not entirely because they are children but because of what they typify in the religion of Jesus. So, even if there be gifts for older folk, for parents and friends and neighbors, the whole celebration so far as the gift feature of it goes, centers around those who are young enough yet to believe in Santa Claus—the good St. Nicholas.

It has long been the custom in holiday giving to extend the generous hand beyond one's own circle of kin or friendship, to seek out those in need, and this particularly where the suffering of children made its appeal. In the present year this call, always generously responded to at home, has taken in a wider field, a greater significance. There are now, not fortuitously in our own country, but in the world at large, not hundreds of thousands merely but millions of children, the hope of the world to come, who are in such need that many of them must perish if help is not given; and there is no country save our own to which the appeal can confidently be made.

When, therefore, the prosperous citizens of free America sit today beside the laden board, or watch with interest the stocking or the tree bearing gifts, it may well be that thoughts of what has been given to the starving children of the world will make the present scene even more glorious. If such benefactions have not yet been bestowed we may at least hope that it is a duty briefly deferred, that hardly another day will pass before such contribution as is fitting is made to a cause which tugs for humanity at every human heartstring.

## D. &amp; H. Office Party Banquets.

Sixteen members of D. & H. Division Car Foreman M. D. Bombardier's office force sat down to a bountiful Christmas dinner at home yesterday. Roast turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie, and all the other trimmings were served. The turkey was roasted by G. A. Noble, of the Pioneer lunch. In the center of the table was a large basket tastefully decorated with red crepe paper from which gifts were distributed to those present. W. O. Hill, at the head of the feast, presented Mr. Bombardier with an E. K. card case as a token of esteem and the good feeling that exists between the employer and their chief.

Music for the occasion was furnished by a Victrola loaned by Miss Katherine Miller. A delightful time was had by all.

## French Orphan Heard From.

Ralph Henderson, secretary of the Oneonta post of the American legion, Thursday received a letter from the French orphan boy the local post is supporting during the coming year. The letter was written in French and when translated it was a glowing tribute to the legion and its work. The boy expressed his appreciation of the support of the legion and his desire to let the legion know how much he is doing.

## The Echo Makes Appearance.

The first number of the Oneonta Echo, Oneonta's high school publication, has made its appearance and is being read with interest by all students and numerous friends and alumni of the school. The Echo is published by a committee of students and contains much interesting school news.

## NEW PRESIDENT OF LEAGUE

Dairymen Elect Officers for Coming Year—Divisions Hold Meeting in New York City—Milk Prices for January.

At the first meeting of the new board of directors of the Dairymen's League in New York City on Tuesday, December 21, officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

President, George W. Sloan, of Madison, Pa.; Vice President, J. H. Miller, of Shawangunk, Pa.; Secretary, Albert Sloan, of Shawangunk, N. Y.; Treasurer, James M. Kibben, of Shawangunk, N. Y.; Executive Committee, H. W. Kibben, of Shawangunk, N. Y.; H. D. Cooper, of Shawangunk, N. Y.; A. Manning, of Shawangunk, N. Y.; Paul Smith, of Shawangunk, N. Y.

President Sloan is ex-officio chairman of the Executive Committee. J. H. Miller was elected on the ticket for president to succeed H. D. Cooper, who has served four successive terms, a period of four years. Mr. Miller explained to the directors that if he accepted the presidency, he would have to give up all of his time to that office and abandon his work as general counsel to the league. He said that although he is a dairy farmer, his life training has been that of a lawyer, and he believed that he could be of greater service to the league by resigning as president and continuing as head of the league's law department. His resignation was accepted and Mr. Sloan was elected.

Mr. Sloan is a business farmer who owns and operates several farms both in New York and Pennsylvania. Because of the large amount of produce which he has for sale and the supplies which he buys, he probably has had more actual experience in dealing with the farmers' markets than anyone else in the league. Because of this experience, he has realized for many years the absolute necessity of organization by farmers. For years he has been interested in the Dairymen's league and has been closely identified with it. He was elected director from his district for the year of 1918. Then, owing to a re-division of his district, he was out during 1919 but was re-elected director for the year 1920. During the past year he has also served as a member of the league's executive committee, and now he passes from that office to the presidency of the dairymen's great organization. With his many years of successful farm business experience and his intimate knowledge of the principles of organization and co-operation, upon which the league is working, Mr. Sloan is in position to serve ably the league membership.

Mr. Cooper was elected by the new board to serve on the executive committee for the coming year, thereby making it possible for the league to continue to have the benefit of his years of very valuable experience.

Mr. Kershaw, the director from Chenango county, and Mr. Manning, secretary of the organization, were elected by the board to positions on the executive committee.

Paul Smith, director from the district including Tioga, Tompkins, Schuyler, Chenango and Seneca counties, New York, was elected as a new member of the executive committee, succeeding F. H. Thomson of Holland Patent.

## Asks \$5.18 for January Milk.

The board of directors of the Dairymen's league meeting in New York on December 21st, voted to recommend to the membership that league milk be sold for the month of January for \$5.18 per 100 pounds for three per cent milk. This is the same as the December price. On a quart basis, this will bring the farmer .0727 per average milk testing 3.5 per cent butterfat.

This price is below the cost of production. The December price was reduced by the league one cent a quart below November price and this reduction was passed on to the consumer by the dealers. No league milk has been sold at this writing for January.

## Took Stolen Auto to Cooperstown.

Albert Griessel, a youth, pleaded guilty before County Judge Addington Tuesday to an indictment charging him with the theft of an automobile from George K. Smith in this city August 29, 1919, and received a suspension of sentence and was placed on probation.

Griessel, after seeing the machine, went to Cooperstown, where he got into trouble and was sentenced to Elmira reformatory, from which he had just been released when brought to Albany to answer to the grand jury's accusation.—[Albany Journal.]

## His Earliest Trophy.

The story is being told in Richfield Springs that a local doctor's small son was entertaining a friend in his dad's office and they were looking with awed admiration at the articulated skeleton in the closet.

"Where did he get it?" asked the young guest, in a whisper.  
"Oh, he's had it a long time," was the answer. "I guess maybe that's his first patient."

## A Treat for the Newsboys.

While Sharpe Kilham, representative of the Binghamton Press of Binghamton, will give the newsboys of this city a turkey dinner at the Oneonta hotel this forenoon at 12 o'clock. It is planned that about 25 will attend, the dinner and it is expected that the event will be one that the boys will long remember.

When you have guests and the dinner is finished, how interesting to find the coffee is poor. This never happens when Otsego is used. Its quality—the quality that pleases with the most particular—never fails.

## Christmas Trees.

Vermin space—the kind that holds up—also. Phone 277, Oneonta Trucking Co., under town clock.

## Have you seen Henri?

## LITTLE TALKS ON THRIFT

by S. W. STRAUS, President American Society for Thrift.

It is of interest to note the plans now being discussed for means of utilizing the water power going to waste in the St. Lawrence River, and which comprises one of the tremendous sources of untapped wealth in the United States.

Few of the great nations of the world have the resources at their command which we either are neglecting to utilize or are wasting entirely.

At the end of the war it was stated by competent government authorities that our waste land at that time comprised an empire six times as large as the State of New York. This estimate included some 300,000,000 acres of Western desert capable of cultivation through irrigation; it also includes 200,000,000 acres of cut-over timber land that must be cleared of stumps and brush.

According to a statement made by Franklin K. Lane, then Secretary of Agriculture, all this land was capable of producing a higher crop value per acre than the majority of the agricultural land of the country. There are between 70,000,000 and 80,000,000 acres of swamp land which can be made productive by drainage and an additional 15,000,000 of arid acres which can be made productive by irrigation. In connection

with the St. Lawrence River water-power conservation project, the development of 5,000,000 horsepower is said to be within the range of feasibility. Every horsepower thus developed, we are informed by statisticians, will save ten tons of coal per year, while every 25 horsepower similarly made use of will save the equivalent of one year's labor for one man engaged in producing steam power.

In many parts of the nation, more particularly perhaps in the mountainous regions of the Northwest, there are vast resources of water power going to waste which, if utilized, would greatly lessen the demands now made on our diminishing supply of coal and petroleum.

A more general application of the principles of thrift would add incalculable wealth to the resources of this country. Already blessed by nature to an extent far in excess of the opulence showered upon any other country, we have allowed sources of wealth beyond the dream of man go undeveloped.

It is important that we practice thrift as individuals. Sooner or later it will become a matter of grave necessity that we as a nation practice it in the complete utilization of all our material resources.



## SUBSTANTIAL XMAS GIFTS

Employees of Oneonta Department Store, Inc., and of the Elmore Milling Company Presented With Life Insurance Policies for \$1,000 or More.

Substantial and heartily welcomed were the Christmas gifts received by the employees of the Oneonta Department Store, Inc., and the Elmore Milling company, each of them receiving yesterday an insurance policy, contracts having been closed for group insurance by the two concerns on Thursday with the Equitable Life Assurance society of New York, the combined contracts representing about \$120,000 of insurance, making it one of the largest deals in the insurance line the county has ever witnessed.

The Department store caused to be issued to all regular employees policies of \$1,000, with those in the service of the store five years or more receiving one for \$1,500. Certain other employees of the concern who are known as regular extra clerks were given policies of \$500.

The policies of the Elmore company were issued on a graded scale. Every employee in the service two years or less received a policy for \$1,000, and for each additional year \$100 was added to the amount of insurance until the maximum of \$1,500 was reached.

Both contracts were made retroactive and all insurance was made effective the moment the contracts were signed on Thursday, Dec. 23. The amount of each policy is payable to the beneficiary chosen by the insured at death. In case of the total disability of the insured the full amount of the policy becomes payable to the insured.

The two firms are to be congratulated upon this advanced step on their part, which is in keeping with the best business methods of the present day. It is a gratifying recognition of the services of faithful employees and indicative of appreciation of the fact that a certain responsibility

rests upon employers to provide in some manner, if possible, for the needs of dependents upon employees at a time of great need. The step is one added evidence of an earnest desire to protect employees and foster a closer and more intimate relationship between employer and employees.

The contracts were closed with these two representative concerns by Jean H. Marshall, representing the Binghamton agency, and Charles J. VanDeusen, the local agent for the Equitable company, the latter taking commendable pride in completing the transaction, perhaps the first of its kind on a large scale in the city.

## Howard Passes Police Examination.

Merrill H. Howard, now engaged as an extra officer on the Oneonta police force, was the only candidate at the examination for the position of patrolman conducted Thursday in the Municipal building by the local Civil Service commission. Mr. Howard passed the examination and was given a rating of 85 per cent, a good record. He will continue on the reserve force at present, but later may be appointed a regular patrolman by the Board of Police commissioners.

## Purity Beverage Co. Expands.

The Purity Beverage company of Binghamton, which controls the Orange Crush Bottling companies of Binghamton and Oneonta, besides acquiring the Confection Beverage company at Coxsack, has launched a new side line in the incorporation of the amount of each policy is payable to the beneficiary chosen by the insured at death. In case of the total disability of the insured the full amount of the policy becomes payable to the insured.

Both contracts were made retroactive and all insurance was made effective the moment the contracts were signed on Thursday, Dec. 23. The amount of each policy is payable to the beneficiary chosen by the insured at death. In case of the total disability of the insured the full amount of the policy becomes payable to the insured.

The two firms are to be congratulated upon this advanced step on their part, which is in keeping with the best business methods of the present day. It is a gratifying recognition of the services of faithful employees and indicative of appreciation of the fact that a certain responsibility

Ira S. Sweet, practical housekeeper at the Windsor, Oneonta, Jan. 3; Eagle, Norwich, Jan. 6.

## TERCENTENARY STAMPS.

New Issue of Postage to Commemorate Landing of Pilgrims.

Announcement has been received at the local postoffice by Postmaster C. J. Beams that a special issue of postage stamps to commemorate the tercentenary of the landing of the Pilgrims has been issued.

The stamps are a part of the country's tribute to honor the date of the landing in December, 1620, at Plymouth and Provincetown, of the Pilgrims. Three denominations will be issued, one cent, two cent and five cent. The one cent denomination is a green stamp, the subject being the Mayflower. The two cent stamp is red and its subject is the landing of the Pilgrims. The five cent denomination is blue and the subject is the signing of the compact.

The stamps are valid for all postage purposes, and will be sold only on request of stamp purchasers.

They are issued in sheets of 10 stamps and hander packages of 100 sheets. The local postoffice has ordered a supply of the stamps which has not yet arrived.

## An Auto Ride—Two Divorces.

As a result of a joy ride by Norwich and Sidney parties out into the country, in the month of September, 1918, from the village of Sidney, two divorces have been granted. Last January Frank Green obtained a divorce from his wife, Pearl Green, both then residing in the city of Norwich. On Saturday last Justice Abraham L. Kellogg signed an interlocutory decree granting a divorce to Mary E. Davis, formerly from her husband, James Francis Skelly. Mr. Skelly resides at Sidney and Mrs. Skelly now resides in the city of Binghamton. Attorney Henry D. McLaury appeared in the action for Mrs. Skelly and Swell & France of Sidney represented Mr. Skelly.

## A Welcome Christmas Gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walling of Fourth street received a box of grape fruit and oranges Tuesday from Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Erice, who are spending the winter in Orlando, Florida, which is a highly prized gift.



## Work Save Invest Safely

These are three important factors of success.

Give them your earnest thought and persistent effort.

Deposit your surplus dollars with the Citizens National Bank.

## The Citizens National Bank Oneonta, N.Y.

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE BANK

Try a Classified "Ad" in The Star—They Produce Results

## Ford THE UNIVERSAL CAR

We Have Had A Big Year!

For us it has been a year of achievement, toward which gratifying results you have generously and loyally contributed. We thank you, Good People of Oneonta and Surrounding Villages, and wish you all a—

Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year

## Oneonta Sales Company

Market Street

Oneonta, N. Y.

1920

1921

We're all Jogging along the same Road. We all see the same Sunrise every morning and set every evening; and what happens in between the rising and the setting is about the same for All of us—at least in the long run it averages up about the same.

But at this stage of the journey, we like to pause a moment and exchange a word of good cheer with our fellow travelers. And so to you, who have helped to make the past year a happy one for us, we extend our wishes for

a Merry Christmas

and a Happy New Year.

Eugene Leigh Ward

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

GARDNER'S  
THE HOUSE OF GOOD SHOES



# PRICES MASHED -- !!!

Everything in the store  
ist be sold regardless of  
st.  
Great Five Day Extension  
begins Monday, Dec. 27,  
10 a. m.

## Greenberg's

5 Main St., Oneonta, N. Y.  
By Order of  
W. Groves Co., Buffalo

## Farm Bargains

25 Acre Valley Farm.  
Estimated 150,000 feet chestnut,  
k and pine saw timber, six cows,  
to fine horses, all machinery tools  
folded. One mile off the state  
ad, one mile from creamery,  
area, railroad station, nearly level  
er farm. Good house and barn,  
o, running water, located in the  
appetanna valley, 11 miles from  
ceonta. Price \$6,500.

115 Acre Dairy Farm.  
One-half mile off state road, one  
ile from creamery, stores and  
ood barn, cement floor, two silos.  
It includes 14 cows, two fine  
orses, all machinery tools, hay  
d outillage. Price, \$6,000; cash,  
1,000.

## Campbell Bros.

Wilber Nat'l Bank Block

## Stationery AND School Supplies

Tablets, Ink, Etc.  
Die Stamped Normal  
Stationery.  
Oneonta Souvenirs.  
Leather Goods.  
White Ivory.

## The Oneonta Press, Inc.

32-34 Broad Street

## FOR SALE

At Buick Used Car  
Department

1916 BUICK ROADSTER  
1916 CHALMERS TOURING  
20 MAXWELL TOURING  
1917 FORD TOURING

## W. W. HUME

211 Main St.

PHONE 269-J

## Oneonta Trucking Co.

FOR TRUCKING  
Anything Anywhere Any Time  
Special attention given to  
moving household goods, and  
quick delivery service.

OFFICE  
234 Main St., Under Town Clock

## Plumbing & Heating

Electrical Contractors  
E. J. HOUSE  
7 Elm Street

## TULCANIZING

All tires, tubes, etc.  
Factory method used.  
WORK GUARANTEED  
Prompt service.

ONEONTA BATTERY AND TIRE CO.  
5 Hamilton Avenue. Phone 830.

## Bookhout & Kark

FUNERAL DIRECTORS  
LADY ASSISTANT  
Day Phone 218-J Office 12 Dietz Street  
Night Calls, 322-W or 429-M

## TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.

8 a. m. .... 59  
10 a. m. .... 59  
5 p. m. .... 53  
Maximum, 55—Minimum, 53

## LOCAL MENTION.

### CHRISTMAS.

Resplendent woke the dawn  
That day the Lord was born:  
Embraced by its glory smiled the  
earth:

The wind in ecstasies  
Sang wondrous hymns:  
While danced the oceans unrestrained  
in mirth.

Sweet Saviour, once again  
Delight the hearts of men:  
Long have we waited, for our Saviour  
cease:

As in the long ago,  
Grant to us here below,  
Mid heavenly strains the dawn of  
perfect peace.

—[Pierre Shields]

—The bowling alleys and billiard  
rooms at the Y. M. C. A. will be closed  
today.

—Two services will be held at St.  
James' church this morning—8 and  
10:30 o'clock.

—There will be no Recreation dance  
at the High school next Monday even-  
ing. The next dance will be held on  
Tuesday, January 4.

—Photographer Ray VanWoert was  
busy Thursday night making photo-  
graphs of the attractive display of  
electrical novelties in the window of the  
Lane Electric shop.

—The Oneonta postoffice will be  
open until 10 a. m. today. The morn-  
ing city delivery by carriers will be  
made, and Christmas parcels received  
during the day will be delivered.

—The state army will be open at  
3 p. m. today. Applicants for enlist-  
ment are invited to call on Captain  
Jackson at that time. Fifteen applica-  
tions have been received during the  
past ten days.

—Shortly after 3 o'clock last night,  
the gong connected with the auto-  
matic sprinkling system at the One-  
onta Grocery company's plant com-  
menced ringing, and drew a large  
crowd. Fire Chief Chene was soon on  
the scene and after an investigation  
found that the alarm was due to a  
leak in one of the water pipes. There  
was no fire.

## TOWN CLOCK ILLUMINATED

Efforts of Chamber of Commerce to  
Secure This Improvement Finally  
Reward—Wiring Generously Donated  
by C. C. Miller.

Citizens noted with some satisfac-  
tion last evening that the dials of the  
town clock on the Falls & Gardner  
block were illuminated for the first  
time, but few perhaps realized that  
this improvement is the result of a  
persistent effort to secure it on the  
part of the Chamber of Commerce.  
Formerly there appeared no way to  
secure funds with which to provide  
for it.

Some few weeks ago the matter was  
brought up again and a committee  
was named to investigate the cost and  
report. When the committee inter-  
viewed C. C. Miller, that enterprising  
and public spirited merchant volun-  
teered to do the wiring of his own  
expense as a contribution to the gen-  
eral good. When the matter was pre-  
sented to the Common Council, the  
cost of the current for the illumina-  
tion was assumed by the city. The  
approval of the owners of the block  
had previously been secured.

The task of wiring was completed  
yesterday. It required considerable  
material and labor, but the favorable  
comments heard last evening would  
have been sufficient reimbursement to  
Mr. Miller could he have heard them.  
This is but one of the many things  
for which the city is indebted to the  
Chamber of Commerce activity and it  
should be a reminder to all citizens  
that such an organization is needed  
and to the directing officers that  
many such betterments are obtain-  
able by energetic activity.

Attention, G. A. R.

All members of E. D. Farmer post-  
G. A. R. and all other veterans of the  
Civil war are requested to meet at the  
Oneonta hotel tomorrow (Sunday) at  
1:30 p. m., to attend the funeral of  
our late comrade, Cyrus Hopkins, on  
Liberty street. Wear white gloves and  
badges.

W. H. Brown, Commander.

Aimer Munson, Adjutant.

## No Star Monday Morning.

In order that its employees may en-  
joy the Christmas holiday along with  
other workers of the city, The Star  
will not be published on Monday. The Star  
extends the season's greetings to its  
readers.

## Join Now.

Before you receive Junata brand  
margarine nobody ever touches it but  
the immaculate workers who prepare  
it. It reaches you sweet and clean in  
a sealed package.

## Merry Christmas.

Say it with Columbia records, a  
present that is sure to please. 15,000  
records to select from. Van Vies'  
Gramola shop, 14-15 Dietz street, 1st

The Pioneer lunch will serve a tur-  
key dinner today from 11 until 1  
o'clock. Restaurant will be closed  
from 1 to 3 o'clock.

## Children's Hats.

At Norton's removal sale, see and  
while they last. Norton's bazaar, 15  
Broad street.

We have Snowflake bread for sale  
Robinson's South Side gas station, 21  
Pioneer lunch.

## CHRISTMAS DAY

NEARLY 50 NEEDY FAMILIES  
MADE HAPPY BY SALVA-  
TION ARMY.

Baskets of Food Distributed Among  
the Poor Last Night—Christmas  
Eve Services Held in Newly-Re-de-  
corated St. James' Church. Special  
Choral Service at First Presbyterian  
Church Sunday Night—Other  
Christmas News.

Although it seemed yesterday after-  
noon that December 25, 1920, would not  
be a "White Christmas" and that  
Santa Claus would have to dispense  
with his reindeer and make his num-  
erous calls by airplane or else borrow  
somebody's Ford, the much-talked-of  
Christmas "cheer" abounds every-  
where. There was a holiday atmos-  
phere in the crowds of last-minute  
shoppers that flooded the business sec-  
tion yesterday and last night, and the  
usual quota of home-coming students  
and other folks whose hearts are still  
at the home surroundings in Oneonta  
though their duties call them else-  
where, were being greeted by their  
home-town friends.

Practically every store in the city re-  
mained open last evening to accom-  
modate holiday crowds, but today will  
be shut all day, and Main street will  
be practically deserted except for the  
theatre crowds which are always large.  
Christmas is distinctly a "home day,"  
and most folks like to gather around  
their own firesides on this one day  
of the year.

## Needy Families Remembered.

Christmas cheer will prevail in 50  
homes today that were not for the  
work of the Salvation Army and gen-  
erosity of Oneonta citizens would be  
unhappy indeed. For Santa Claus, in  
the person of Captain William Harri-  
son and his assistants, visited homes  
of needy families about the city last  
night and left at each two market  
baskets loaded with good things to  
eat.

Exactly 48 poor families were pro-  
vided for by the Salvation Army  
through funds donated at the two  
Christmas kettles on Main street, and  
yesterday afternoon the baskets were  
filled with the supplies that were pur-  
chased earlier in the week and stored  
in Salvation Army headquarters. When  
the workers started to fill the baskets,  
they discovered that one basket was  
inadequate for all the things that were  
to be given, and it was necessary to  
purchase on additional supply of bas-  
kets. Each family thus was given two  
baskets, filled with substantial food,  
that will last them for three or four  
dinners. Each basket contained 21 ar-  
ticles, as follows:

Chicken, apples, turnips, one can  
tomatoes, one can peas, one can corn,  
six oranges, three pounds onions, one  
pound cranberries, one can maple  
syrup, two cans evaporated milk, one  
pound sugar, half-pound tea, half-  
pound coffee, half-pound butter, one  
box macaroni, one box rolled oats, two  
loaves bread, one pie and one can  
beans.

When convenient, some member of  
the family called at headquarters and  
took home the baskets, but where this  
was impossible, Captain Harrison deliv-  
ered them to the doors of the needy  
ones. The Army officials made a care-  
ful investigation of the relative needs  
of this or that family and endeavored  
to place the baskets where they were  
most needed. According to reports of  
the workers who distributed the bas-  
kets, the recipients were indeed happy  
to receive the needed food, and it will  
do much to bring the joy of Christmas  
to their hearts today. Captain Harrison  
desires to thank all who contributed  
toward the baskets, and reports the  
total amount received was \$206.50.

## Cross Again Shines Forth.

The illuminated cross on St. James'  
Protestant Episcopal church, which had  
been dark for several weeks, shone  
forth in all its glory again last night—  
Christmas Eve, the first anniversary  
of its establishment. The original  
cross was blown down in a recent  
wind storm, and E. J. House, who is  
the donor, yesterday completed put-  
ting up the new one, which has many  
improved features, there being a glass  
casing over the bulbs.

Christmas services were held at St.  
James' church last midnight for the  
first time since the work of re-decorat-  
ing the interior was begun, and all who were pre-  
sent at the service had naught but  
words of admiration for its beautiful  
appearance.

The nave has been repainted in pale  
green, with gilt edging about the  
stained glass windows, and the color  
is most agreeable to the eye. The  
latter work of the ceiling has been  
thoroughly cleaned and varnished, as  
have also the pews. Most beautiful  
of all, however, is the sanctuary,  
which has been redecorated in rose  
color, while the sanctuary arch is in  
green, white and gold panelling. The  
organ has also been renovated and re-  
painted in white and gold. The sanc-  
tuary must be seen to be appreciated,  
as words fail to describe its ornate  
beauty. The work of redecorating  
has been done by the Edwards broth-  
ers of this city and is a tribute to the  
skill of their craft. The interior of  
the church is the same St. James' that  
has called people to worship in many  
years past, but its changed appear-  
ance has put a new touch of love-  
liness to it all. Services will be held  
at the church this morning at 8 o'clock  
and 10:30 o'clock.

## First Presbyterian Choral Service.

Tomorrow being the nearest Sunday  
to Christmas, many pastors will refer  
to the occasion in their sermons. At  
the First Presbyterian church Sunday  
morning, Dr. Russell will speak on  
"The Birth of Christ as the Goal of  
History." An elaborate choral serv-  
ice has been arranged for the even-  
ing, commencing at 7:30, when selec-  
tions from Handel's "Messiah" will be  
given by a double mixed quartet under  
the direction of E. P. Perry. Solo  
singers and quartet numbers are on the  
program, and an evening of enjoyable  
choral worship is anticipated.

The First Presbyterian quartet is

## BRUTAL MURDER

Fred Strongman of West Kortright  
Shot While Doing His  
Barn Chores

## ARREST SOON LIKELY

Sheriff Vordemark, Coroner Silliman  
and District Attorney O'Connor All  
at Scene at a Late Hour Last Night  
—Victim Highly Esteemed with No  
Known Enemies — Officials Will  
Know No Efforts or Expense to Ap-  
prehend and Convict the Murderer.

Fred Strongman, a highly respected  
farmer residing at West Kortright on  
the hill road between East Meredith  
and West Kortright, was undoubtedly  
brutally murdered while at work doing  
his chores in his barn between 6 and  
7 o'clock last evening, his body being  
found in the stable when his wife,  
hearing some noise in the barn, went  
to investigate.

Some suspicions were entertained  
but at a late hour last night no ar-  
rests had been made so far as The  
Star could learn, although Sheriff Vor-  
demark and Coroner Silliman of Delhi  
and District Attorney A. L. O'Connor  
of Hobart were at the scene investigat-  
ing. They had not returned to their  
homes up to a late hour.

According to the information The  
Star's Davenport correspondent secured  
from Dr. T. L. Craig of that vil-  
lage, who was called, Mrs. Strongman  
went to the barn with a lantern after  
she heard the rather unusual noise  
there. When she opened the horse  
stable door, the lifeless body of her  
husband fell backward out of the door-  
way. Her first impression was that a  
horse which was known to be notional  
had kicked him. With the assistance  
of others the body was carried to the  
house and Dr. Craig summoned. At  
first it was thought that Mr. Strong-  
man's neck was broken.

Dr. Craig on his arrival at once  
took off the clothing and he found  
that a charge of shot had taken ef-  
fect in the right side of the man's body  
and had all centered in a radius of  
six or seven inches, indicating that  
the firearm had been discharged in  
close range, undoubtedly by some one  
who had secreted himself in the barn.

While Mr. Strongman was considered  
one of the most peaceful men in the  
community and was not known to  
have an enemy in the world, the sus-  
picions of the neighbors turned in  
one direction—not farther away than  
to a nearby farm. It is believed from  
their convictions that an arrest on  
suspicion at least will be made before  
morning.

Mr. Strongman was 35 years of age  
and his whole life has been spent in  
the neighborhood. He is a son of Mr.  
and Mrs. Robert Strongman, who live  
near his home. He is a brother of Mrs.  
Robert A. McMorris and of Mrs. W. J.  
McMorris, both of this city, to whom  
news of the shocking death of their  
brother came as a great blow. Beside  
the parents and the two sisters re-  
siding here, he leaves two brothers,  
Samuel and Frank Strongman, and two  
sisters, Mrs. Henry Uiter and Mrs.  
Clark Shearer, all of West Kortright.

Mr. Strongman married Margaret  
Simmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
George Simmons of Davenport Center,  
and she with three little children, the  
youngest of which is only about two  
months of age, survive.

The circumstances thus far un-  
earthed leaves no other conclusion  
than that some one secreted himself  
in the barn to await the arrival of his  
victim to do his chores and then brutal-  
ly murdered him. The unfortunate  
man was preeminently one against  
whom none could justly have any  
grivance. He was known to members  
of The Star staff who are amazed that  
anyone could have been inspired with  
any desire to end his life. The officers  
of Delaware county owe it to every  
citizen of the county to spare no ef-  
fort to unearth the offender and see  
that he is speedily punished. The ex-  
pense, no matter what it is, the county  
will meet cheerfully, we are certain.  
When it comes to pass that a peace-  
ful and respected farmer cannot go about  
his chores without danger that some  
scoundrel under cover of darkness is  
hovering about to end his life, the  
county's wealth should be at the dis-  
posal of the officers without stint.

A telephone call to the sheriff's of-  
fice at Delhi at 1 o'clock this morning  
brought word that the sheriff had not  
yet returned from the scene of the  
murder, and no word had been re-  
ceived from him concerning the prog-  
ress of the investigation.

## Ambulance Out.

Yesterday afternoon the ambulance  
was called to the Delaware and Hud-  
son station for the 2:45 train, on which  
was W. S. Decker of Johnson City, who  
is suffering from tubercular spine.  
Mr. Decker has been ill for more than  
a year at his home in Johnson City,  
and yesterday he was brought to this  
city, where he was taken to the home  
of his aunt, Mrs. R. C. McKee, where  
he will remain and receive special  
medical attention.

## Births.

Lieutenant and Mrs. George M.  
Grimes of Columbus, Ga., announce  
the birth of a 12-pound daughter,  
Marie Elizabeth, on December 23.  
Lieutenant Grimes was a former resi-  
dent of Cooperstown Junction.  
Born December 23 to Mr. and Mrs.  
Walter E. Rose of 21 Miller street, a  
daughter, Audrey Leetha.

We can't do a thing for the house-  
keeper who refuses to try Hygrade  
brand butterine. But we have saved a  
deal of money, without sacrificing  
quality, for many who have tried it.

House on Chestnut street for sale;

will show 15 percent investment. In-  
quire of Robert Thayer. Phone  
522-J.

Live bait, yellow and bright. 15

## TAXPAYERS WILL GRUMBLE

COMBINED TAX RATE FOR STATE  
COUNTY AND CITY WILL  
BE \$23.34.

Increase Due to Numerous Causes  
Which Centered in the Present Year.  
Seems Unavoidable—Day of Reck-  
oning Arrives and We Must Pay.  
Oneonta city taxpayers will be  
tempted to groan when they learn the  
amount of state, county and city taxes  
they will be required to pay in a few  
weeks when they march up to the  
chamberlain's office to perform that  
duty which all owe. While it will be  
large—much larger than last year,  
they should recall that it is combina-  
tion of circumstances that makes it in-  
evitable.

The state undertook to secure more  
pay for the teachers who were unques-  
tionably underpaid and the result is a  
large increase in the tax burden the  
state imposes. Then too, the county  
has entered upon a plan of county  
highways which requires a tax upon  
the city alone of \$11,515.75 as com-  
pared with only about \$8,000 the pre-  
vious year for that purpose. The  
budget for the city in the entire levy  
is as follows:

State tax	\$30,562.90
County expenses	44,157.06
Highways local	41,517.75
City budget	99,521.59
	\$217,190.10

Based upon the present assessed  
valuation in the city, which is about  
50 per cent higher than last year, the  
rate, including the chamberlain's fees  
for collecting, which passes into the  
city's funds, is \$25.50 on a thousand or  
about 2½ per cent. The rate is not  
so much greater than last year when  
it was \$22.67 upon a thousand, but  
with the increased valuation given,  
the combined tax will be about 61 per  
cent higher than last year.

The city budget this year is consid-  
erably increased. Last year it was \$75,  
527.35, while this year it is \$99,521.59.  
It should be considered, however, that  
the expense of city government has of  
necessity been increased and the de-  
mands for increased lights, street im-  
provement and all the betterments  
that enhance the city has been insist-  
ent and justified. They must be paid  
for, however. Granted that the  
money is well expended, it is unques-  
tionably one of the best investments  
that can be made.

For years the city has been working  
along on a narrow margin with all the  
commissions barely able to squeeze  
through within the sums allotted with  
many improvements actually and sorely  
needed impossible. The increase in  
assessment could not have been longer  
deferred. While it may come hard to  
have it all bunched and cast upon us  
at one time, if it results in a more  
strict scrutiny of expenditures and  
progressive plans adopted it may be  
productive of good that the increase is  
sufficient to cause the taxpayers and  
those charged with making appropri-  
ations, to "stop, look and listen."

## Naval Station Closed.

The local naval station, situated in  
the Wilber National Bank building, is  
closed, owing to the fact that Chief  
Petty Officer Keubert, who has had  
charge of the station, has been called  
to the New York offices. It is ex-  
pected that the office will open on or  
about the first of January. For in-  
formation in regard to enlistments, in-  
quire at the local Army and Navy  
store.

Will the person who borrowed a  
breast drill from the garage at 15½  
Grand street please return the same at  
once.

Biwa Highgrade tea — A "comfort-  
able" beverage.

## The Capron Company, Inc.

Business Established 1872

## The Christmas Store



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

May your heart be as full of Joy—  
May your stockings be as full of Gifts—  
May your year be as full of happiness and prosperity  
As a Christmas tree is of needles.



Merry

Xmas

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

We like to think of our  
Customers as  
our Friends--

and to our Friends we extend the  
COMPLIMENTS of the SEASON.

WISHING YOU A HAPPY CHRISTMAS  
STEVENS HARDWARE COMPANY, INC.



## HOLIDAY GREETINGS

SO let us greet those in our  
houses and those we pass  
on the street, those who serve  
and those who rule, the friend,  
the homeless stranger — the  
enemy, each and all —  
"A MERRY CHRISTMAS!"

## Oneonta Dept. Store



## FRANK MAYO



## THE MARRIAGE PIT

UNIVERSAL SPECIAL ATTRACTION

The story of a woman who fell in love with the man she hated—her husband.

AT high noon, two marriages. One in a solemn edifice before a robed priest—the other, a hurried routine before a justice of the peace after a night of revelry. How do these two marriages end? While you're learning you'll see three stirring conflicts, a battle of big business, a war of women's wits and a mighty fight between two men. Starring? Well say so!

AT HATHAWAY'S ONEONTA THEATRE TODAY, 2:30, 7 AND 9 P. M.

## IGNITED WOOD ALCOHOL

Two Employees of City Drug Store Narrowly Escape Serious Burns in Attempting to Ascertain Contents of Barrel.

Yesterday afternoon, while drawing wood alcohol from a barrel in the basement of the City Drug Store, two young men attempted to ascertain the quantity of the liquid left in the barrel when it failed to flow freely through a siphon, by placing a lighted match over the opening on the top side of the barrel, with the result that the vapor arising ignited and caused the can which they were filling to be blown to smithereens.

Fortunately the two chaps escaped without burns or other injuries. The flames were kept confined to the gas in the can, two hand extinguishers being near at hand and being quickly used. The flames were also kept away from the other contents of the cellar and the damage done was slight.

While the commodity is not considered as volatile as some other liquids the accident should be a warning to others and especially to the large number of motorists who use it in radiators or for other purposes. It is believed that the accident was due to using the match in close proximity to the only vent the barrel had at the time and that with ordinary care no danger is to be feared from its use for the purpose for which it is sold.

Paint Shop Opened in Laurens. Wagons and automobiles painted work guaranteed, prices reasonable. St. e.o.d. Preston Westcott.

The real test of coffee is drinking it black. That's why Klipnocks high-grade coffee is a favorite for the demitasse. 1w.

## Be Convinced Come and see for Yourself

Prices on clothing, shoes, work and dress shirts, underwear, sweaters, hosiery, overalls, gloves, will never be lower than at the five-day sale, which begins Monday, Dec. 27, at 10 a. m.

## Greenberg's

128 Main St., Oneonta, N. Y.

## Follow the Crowd

And you will find a store crowded full of bargains. Everything going at the very lowest prices. Every article guaranteed. Perfect goods. No seconds.

## GREENBERG'S

The Big Extension Sale  
123 Main Street, Oneonta, N. Y.

## PERSONALS

Miss Frances Satterley is at her home, Victory Mills, this state, for the holidays.

Miss Anna Brade of Watervliet is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stokes, 901 E. 1st st.

Miss Mabel Warren of Oneonta is the guest of Mrs. Henry G. Smith at 2 Linden avenue.

James Mott of Farmington, Pa., is spending Christmas with Mrs. Mott at 2 Linden avenue.

H. S. Parsons of Bainbridge is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Waters, Maple street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sea chard and children of Bedford were in the city yesterday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wilson of this city are guests of their daughter, Mrs. A. E. Jones, in Albany.

Mrs. Austin Griffin of this city left yesterday for Scranton to spend Christmas with her son.

Misses Anna and Clara Egan of this city left yesterday for Christmas with relatives in Richmondville.

Mrs. Eva Chase and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilson are spending Christmas with friends in Albany.

Mrs. Alice M. Belmont and daughter, Miss Carolyn of Schenectady, spent Friday in Oneonta on business.

Miss Florence E. Every of this city is spending Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Harry Hamilton, of Troy.

Mrs. H. Corne of Grand Grove was in the city yesterday on her way to test relatives in Binghamton.

Secretary and Mrs. A. C. Lange are enjoying a holiday respite at the home of her parents in Whitesboro.

Mrs. E. W. Blackall of this city left yesterday for Afton, where she will spend Christmas with relatives.

Clifford E. Townsend of Syracuse is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Townsend of Birch street, over the holidays.

Alexander Carson, who is attending Syracuse university, is spending a few days with his parents in this city.

Mrs. Charles H. Clark of Bainbridge is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. L. Westcott, of Walnut street.

Miss Bell Mitchell, nurse at the Parshall hospital, is with her parents at East Meredith for the Christmas holiday.

Mrs. Nicholas Paris of Valatie, who had been visiting at Albert Hudson's, 57 Spruce street, returned home Friday.

Mrs. Alice Stevens of Johnson City is at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. D. Dimmick, Church street, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Lackey of 438 Main street are with their daughter, Mrs. Harvey Bell, of Delhi, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Molinari and two sons of Brooklyn are spending the holidays with her parents at 13 Division street.

P. F. Gallagher of this city left yesterday for Scranton, Pa., where he will remain for the week-end with relatives.

Miss Edith Smith of Charlottesville, who had been visiting at D. E. Hunsman's, 432 Main street, returned home Friday.

F. H. Cowles of Carbondale, Pa., is spending the week-end with his daughter, Mrs. Elmer Joslyn, of Ford avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bleser of Schenectady are visiting at the home of Mrs. H. Leal and Mrs. L. E. Church of this city.

Miss Violet Rowe, the public stenographer, left yesterday for her home at Schenectady, where she will spend Christmas.

Mrs. Rose Campbell of 9 Fairview street is with her daughter, Miss Ella Campbell, of Sharon Springs, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clum of 5 Lewis street left yesterday for Carbondale, where they will sojourn a few days with relatives.

William Thornburn of Washington, D. C., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Thornburn, 6 Hill place, over Christmas.

Miss Edna Elizard, a teacher at Monticello, is the holiday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Elizard, Valleyview street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. McCarthy and children of this city left yesterday for Ithaca, where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

Miss Frances Giger of Troy, who is employed by the D. & H. company in this city, is spending Christmas with her parents in Troy.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Ellis left Saturday for Kingston, where they will visit their daughter, Mrs. H. C. Christian, for a week.

Mrs. Katharine Ott and daughter, Virginia, of Batavia, N. J., arrived last evening to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Leal.

Mrs. Frank Wilson and daughter, Miss Grace, of Schenectady, and Miss Victoria Whiteford, also of Schenectady, spent Friday in Oneonta.

Miss Catherine Shaffer, who is teaching in Stamford, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Ora D. Shaffer, of Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Miller of Rochester are spending Christmas at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Miller of this city.

Leslie Parks, who is employed by the L. T. R. at Endicott, arrived home yesterday and will remain for a few days with his parents in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Evans and sons of this city left yesterday for Binghamton, where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. O. Fisher.

Mrs. M. E. Wally and Mrs. Mary Schaeffer of Portland were in this city yesterday on their way to Davenport Center to spend Christmas.

Miss Frances Rowe, who is teaching at Winchester, Ky., arrived in Oneonta yesterday and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Spencer Rowe, 21 Maple street.

Leroy S. House, a student of the senior year in the medical college of the University of Vermont, arrived in Oneonta yesterday and will spend his holidays with his parents in this city.

Norval T. Turner, a classmate of Mr.



A MERRY CHRISTMAS.  
Elyse Wallace, Prima Donna with Tip Top Merry Makers at the Oneonta Theatre All Next Week.

House at the university, accompanied, and will be his guest during the Christmas recess.

Everett Hicks, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, left yesterday for Williamsport, Pa., where he will spend Christmas with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Sexton of this city are sojourning over Christmas with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Dugan, of Troy.

Stanley Stiles of Ilion spent yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stiles. He left last evening for Binghamton for Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. William Crowley of Edgewood, N. J., is spending the holidays with her children, Mrs. W. L. Geizer and William Crowley Jr., of 9 Hill place.

Paul Covey, cadet at West Point, and Kenneth Covey, of Smyrna, Delaware, are with their mother, Mrs. E. E. Covey, of this city for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Chandler of Binghamton are visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Meagley, at 13 Maple street over the holidays.

Miss Clarice Hughston, who is teaching at East Worcester, arrived home yesterday and will remain for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Green.

Mrs. L. A. Munson and daughter, Eva, of this city, left yesterday for Susquehanna, where they will spend Christmas with the former's son, Benjamin Munson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Clark of Binghamton arrived in this city yesterday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Every, 32 Chestnut street.

Miss Edith Wheeler, who is employed as toll operator for the New York Telephone company at Binghamton, is the holiday guest of Miss Marion Bush, 12 Watkins avenue.

Herbert Terrell of the final adjusting department of L. C. Smith & Bros. of Syracuse is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Terrell, 20 Columbia street.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jaynes of Carbondale are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith of 44 River street. It is expected that their son, Ivan Jaynes, will arrive today.

Miss Julia M. Harrington, who is a teacher in the high school at Freehold, N. J., is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Harrington, 35 Elm street, for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Bertha R. Baker, a teacher at Ridgefield Park, N. J., is spending the Christmas holiday at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Raymond, 45 Spruce street.

S. C. Millard of Laurens left yesterday for a three weeks' business and pleasure trip to the Pacific coast. Gerald W. Irish will have full charge of the feed business during his absence.

H. D. Saunders and family of Newark, N. J., passed through the city yesterday on their way to Davenport Center to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kerr, parents of Mrs. Saunders.

Misses Dorothy Case and Bethah Bailey, formerly of this city, who are now with the Billy Allen Stock company, left yesterday, after a few days' visit in the city with relatives, for Lebanon, Pa., where they will join their company.

Miss Mae Hilton left Friday for a holiday sojourn at the home of her brother, Charles Hilton, in New York city. She will remain for a few days after Christmas in the interests of the Hat shop at 19 Washington street, which will be closed until January 4.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Paine of 6 Third street left yesterday for Newark, N. J., where they will spend the holidays with relatives. With the new year Mr. Paine goes to the offices of the State Highway department in Binghamton, where he will be engaged during the winter.

Engagement Announced.  
R. W. Hunt of 6 Grove street announces the engagement of his daughter, Miss Helen V. Hunt, to Halsey P. Baggs of this city. Mr. Baggs is an employee of the Delaware & Hudson stores department in Oneonta.

At the International Fat Stock show in Chicago, the Gilmmergren Farms of W. T. Hyde of Cooperstown, took more prizes than any other single flock of Southdowns and Shropshires, while in Canevets it won the laurels, securing in addition to many single prizes, the ribbons for prize flocks, open and home bred, and the most-sought-for prize of all, which was the Scotch medal for the best ram of any age.

The Schoharie county board of supervisors has employed a counsel for the purpose, if possible of requiring the New York aqueduct commission to construct adequate stone roads about the Gillman reservoir. As the old roads, which the stone is to replace are of dirt, the commission declines to replace them with anything more costly.

## DEATH OF CYRUS HOPKINS.

Passes Away at Home of His Daughter, Mrs. A. E. Luther.

Cyrus Hopkins, aged 92, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. E. Luther, 17 Liberty street, Thursday evening at 9:30, after being confined to his bed about two weeks.

Mr. Hopkins was born in White Store, February 9, 1828. He spent most of his young life in that place and in 1857 was married to Miss Hannah Cox of Norwich, who died at the home of Mrs. A. E. Luther of this city in 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins spent several years in Norwich, after which they moved to Afton. Later they spent eight years in the west, coming from there to this city, where they have lived for about 20 years. Mr. Hopkins was a member of the 11th regiment, N. Y. Infantry. His principal occupation during his younger life was that of a farmer. He was a member of the Universalist church of this city. Since about 15 years ago Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins had been living at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. E. Luther, 17 Liberty street.

Mr. Hopkins is survived by two sons, Edison, of Youngstown, Ohio, and Lewis, of Cadiz, Ohio; by two daughters, Mrs. George Bennett and Mrs. A. E. Luther of this city.

The funeral services will be held at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. E. Luther, 17 Liberty street, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with Rev. Charles Cramer of Cooperstown officiating. Burial will be held in the Oneonta Plains cemetery, on the family plot.

## Choice Christmas Gift.

The choicest Christmas gift reported in the city was received last evening by Guy Clark and Mrs. Sheldon H. Cline, the stock presenting them with a fine baby daughter, which arrived early last evening. The little miss has been christened Martha Elizabeth.

## Mrs. L. R. Frisbee Suffers Shock.

The many friends in Oneonta learn with regret of the serious illness of Mrs. L. R. Frisbee, at her home in East Meredith. She is suffering from shock, which occurred several days ago. Her daughter, Mrs. James Murdock, of Oneonta, is with her, assisting in caring for her.

## Gibson Funeral at 12:30 Monday.

The funeral of the late Charles A. Gibson of West Davenport will be held at the chapel in the Packer undertaking rooms in this city on Monday next at 12:30 p. m., instead of 1:30 as was incorrectly stated yesterday. Interment will be at Bloomville.



## Our Christmas Greeting

From Us - To You  
Good People

You, Whose Patronage and Loyalty Have Made Us What We Are!

We Thank You and Wish You  
Our Heartiest Greetings

## Bell Clothing Company

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

WE TAKE THIS METHOD OF EXTENDING  
BEST WISHES AND  
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND PATRONS

We greatly appreciate the liberal patronage our store has enjoyed during the past year.

We have endeavored to give the people of Oneonta and vicinity the best in point of Service and Quality and the steady increase of our business dealings has met with the approval of the public.

We wish a continuation of your patronage and assure all of the same courteous treatment and fair dealings as during the past.

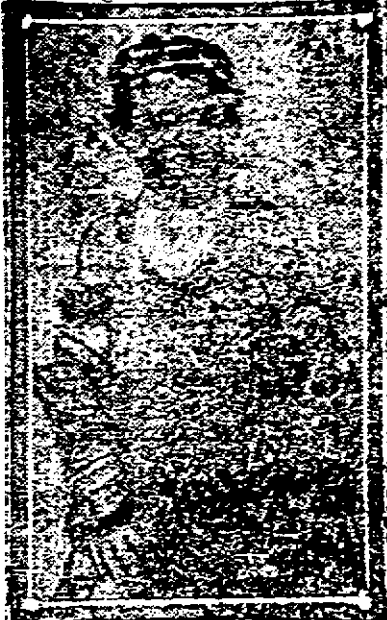
JAMES KOKEN







## Patches are Being Generally Worn In Poland This Year



Those who are wearing last year's clothes with a small patch tracked away beneath the coat tails, may be interested in this picture brought back from Poland by Mrs. W. Parmer Foster, an American Relief Administration worker. "This boy's costume," she says, "with its shreds of patched and formless garments is typical of many a Polish wardrobe. It is no worse than hundreds of suits that I saw being worn there. Some of the families have not had a new garment, or a new piece of linen since the war began six years ago, rich as well as poor."

Before it could carry on its program of child feeding the American Relief Administration had to provide complete clothing outfits for some of the children before they could even decently come to the kitchens to draw their daily ration of food. Seven hundred thousand pairs of shoes and stockings, material for 700,000 overcoats and half a million yards of flannel for children's underwear have already been contributed to meet the needs of the half-naked children of Poland by the American Relief Administration. Last winter the same organization, of which Herbert Hoover is chairman, fed 1,300,000 Polish children and over 2,000,000 others in Eastern Europe. The work will be continued this winter if funds are forthcoming.

## The Doctor's Wife

By Mary Graham Bonner

HE HAD married her in the first place of all because of her lovely, low voice. There had been other reasons too—her good looks, her smile, her common sense, but mainly and chiefly the attraction which had drawn him to her had been her voice.

It had seemed during those first years of his practicing and trying to make headway in a seethingly unresponsive city, that voices would drive him mad, waiting, complaining, whispering always discontented.

Even when he met women socially he felt they refrained from telling him anything but a sorrowful tale of themselves.

As for his wife—she understood. She smiled at the poor excuses they made to come and see him, of the jealousy they showed of each other, of the gifts they sent him, of senseless reasons they had for telephoning.

Sometimes they would both be invited out to dinner at some patient's house. The doctor's wife chuckled as she thought of how little she was wanted.

Usually they looked at her, she knew, rather pityingly, and at times, the boiler of the sympathy would say to her:

"It must be awful to be a doctor's wife. I'd never have a moment's peace if I were you with so many women caring for my husband!"

"We get used to it," the doctor's wife said so as not to be disappointing, smiling to herself. What fun it was to be a doctor's wife. How much pity one got one didn't deserve, how much wasted sympathy, how many deliciously jealous thoughts one inspired.

It was Christmas Eve. The doctor had promised his wife that he would help her in those many pleasant engrossing night-before-Christmas tasks.

She went upstairs to see that the children were quite asleep when she heard the telephone ring. She answered it, and then heard her husband's voice who was already answering it from below.

Something, some curious something, made her listen.

"Oh doctor," she heard a voice say,

the voice of the one woman who had lately caused her her first pang of jealousy. "I can't wait another moment. I must see you. I'm sorry, on Christmas Eve too, but I must. Please, doctor, can you come at once?"

"That's all right, little lady," she heard her husband answer, "I'll be up at once."

"I'm going out for awhile," the doctor called up the stairs. And was gone without a word of regret and with no effort at an excuse.

Just that evening she went out of the house. She would see this other woman. She called a taxi and hurried off. "I'm sorry," the maid told her, "but Madame can see no one." And the door was shut abruptly.

What would she do? What could she do? Finally, exhausted after walking about the streets, she went home, her heart full of dry, choking sobs.

At last she heard the doctor's key. He came in. He looked tired. But she was worn out.

"You've been out," she began.

"Yes," he answered wearily, as he lit a cigarette, "I have been there all this time. But she has the finest boy you could hope to see; they're simply delighted."

"Boy?" she shrieked.

"Yes," the doctor nodded. He was too tired to notice her quick change of expression.

"Oh," he said after a moment. "I'm so glad you didn't finish the Christmas things without me. No matter how late it is, we must always get ready for Christmas together, mustn't we?"

He kissed her lightly.

"After I had left the house," he added, "I remembered I hadn't asked you to wait, and I wanted you to wait no matter how long I'd be! Selfish of me, perhaps, but we must have our Christmas Eve together and get ready for the children's Christmas together, mustn't we, wife of my heart?"

"We most assuredly must," she answered him, and added to herself: "What fools these women are who pity the doctor's wife. I'm the happiest woman in the whole world."

And the doctor was saying:

"My dear, do you know that it is Christmas morning and that I'm wishing you a Merry Christmas!"

"Merry Christmas," she returned, and in her heart rang the merriest and happiest of Christmas bells!

Daily Thought.

We learn wisdom from failure more than from success. We often discover what will do by finding out what will not do; and probably he who never made a mistake made a discovery.—Samuel Smiles.



A Scene From Selwyn & Company's "Twin Beds" Coming to Oneonta Theatre Soon

## About the Mistletoe

COLES, in his "Art of Shapling," observes, "If one hang mistletoe about the neck the witches can have no power of him." Some lingering superstition remains in the present day, and in many houses a bunch of the mistletoe is suspended from the ceiling, under which the male part of the assembly have the privilege of taking the ladies and saluting them. At the same time they should wish them a happy new year and present them with one of the berries for good luck. In other places people try by lots by the cracking of the leaves and berries in the fire.

## Excusable

When the mercury is past 95, you have our permission to say swear instead of perspiration.—Arkansas Thomas Cat.

## What Makes a Book.

If a book come from the heart, it will contrive to reach other hearts; all art and authorcraft are of small amount to that.—Carlyle.

## DANISH COAL IMPORTS GROW

American Dealers Send 274,390 Tons of Fuel to Denmark in September.

Copenhagen.—There has been a steady increase of imports of American coal to Denmark throughout the year. This has been a dominant factor in the coal market here. Beginning in January with a few hundred tons, the American coal imports—in September—reached 274,390 tons.

Meanwhile imports from Great Britain fell during the summer to about 85,000 tons, but rose in September to 164,000 tons. Little coal was imported from Germany, and this entirely stopped in October.

Some Danish coal dealers say that the quality of American coal has been so good as to compensate for the higher freight rates as compared to coal imported from Great Britain, but that this quality of late has fallen off.

When Death Would Have Been Sweet. Paducah, Ky.—D. Harry Johnson, local architect, had a narrow escape from death when he fell into a vat of sorghum skimmings. He fell in head first while leaning over the vat and had gone down twice before he was rescued from the sticky water.



Originated by HORLICK

Get the ORIGINAL

Fresh, full-cream milk and the extract of selected malted grain, reduced to powder form.

The Food-Drink for All Ages.

Used successfully for over 1/3 century.

Superior to tea, coffee, cocoa

A quick lunch readily digested.

Invigorating, Nourishing, Delicious.

Ask for Horlick's at All Fountains

Prepared in a moment by briskly stirring the powder in hot or cold water. Keep at home or when traveling.

Ask For and Get Horlick's

thus Avoiding Imitations

SUBSTITUTES Cost YOU Same Price

Write for free sample to Horlick's, Dept. B, Racine, Wis.

ADVERTISE in your daily newspaper and watch your business grow

# The Citizens National Bank

Wish One and All a

Merry Christmas and a Happy  
and Prosperous New Year

And Invites You to Join Their 1921  
Christmas Club

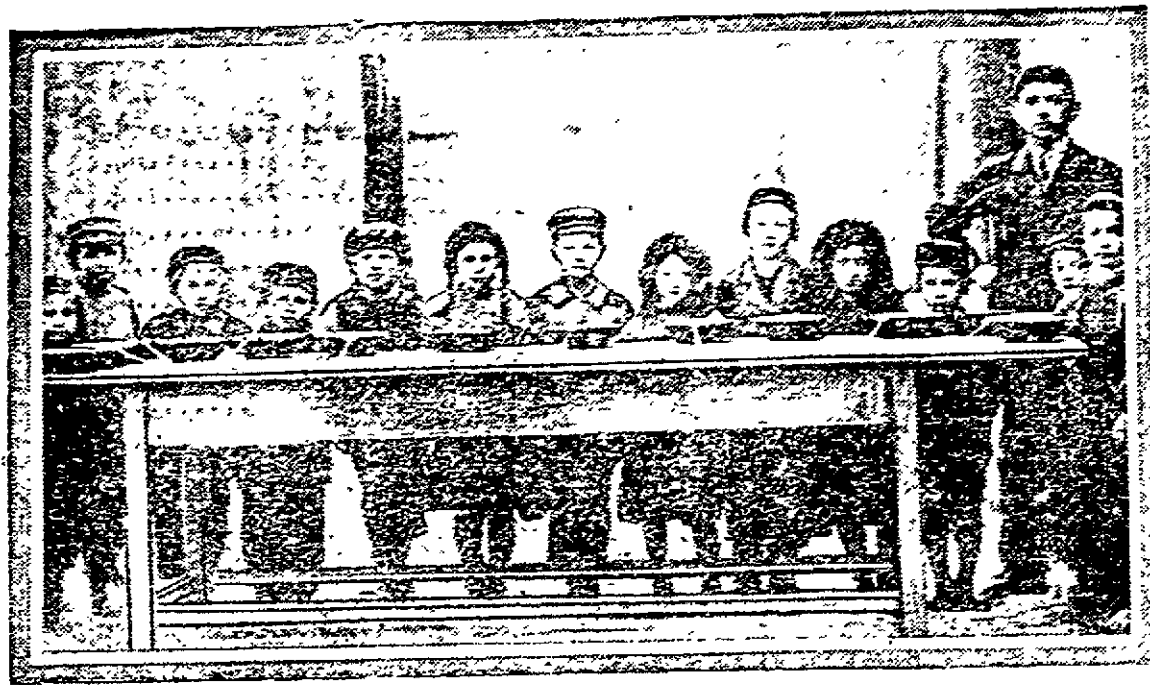
# The Citizens National Bank







## Feed Starving Children



Standing at attention at one of the outdoor tables of the Warsaw Kitchen of the American Relief Administration European Children's Fund—a tense moment just before the cook brings out a huge jar full of delicious steaming hot soup and plates of white bread. Eager and expectant, hundreds of children crowd the kitchens throughout all Poland every day. There are a million of them hungry there, a million of them fed at the American kitchens. Three thousand child-feeding kitchens are kept going by Herbert Hoover's European Children's Fund in Eastern and Central Europe, for in the Baltic States, Czechoslovakia and Austria there are a million and a half more boys and girls, hungrier if possible than the million in Poland. These children must be taken care of through the hard months of the winter if they are not to starve to death, and there is no one with the food or the funds to do it but the American people. Mr. Hoover asks for \$21,000,000 from them to save the lives of these two and a half million children dependent upon them.

### LATEST VICINITY NOTES.

Items of Interest from Press of Oswego, and Nearby Counties.

A branch of the Franklin public library has been started at Treadwell. Seventy-five books have been located in the school building for loaning in the community.

The D. & H. company has purchased the VanZandt property at Schenectady and will utilize a part of it in constructing an overhead crossing for the South Hill road.

The Chenango County Farm bureau has re-elected George A. Adams president and has amended the constitution to make the annual dues five dollars instead of two.

William A. Sage, a well-known resident of Norwich, died Wednesday of last week Wednesday and about \$150 in coin taken. Though the door was blown to smithereens a basket of eggs on the top of the safe was not disturbed.

Simon F. Ullman, for many years a quoted a drop in the price of eggs, hop dealer in New York city, died last Saturday, aged 75 years. He was a in the number brought to the stores, former resident of Cooperstown, having built Ullman lodge on Oswego lake.

lower prices spur the fowls to greater activity, or are eggs being brought out, phos. Busch. He was for many years of water glass and lime? Eggs were presented in Oswego county by the quoted at seventy cents in the local, late John Marsh.

A fish and gun club with A. C. Dana president, Clarence Mitchell, vice president, C. A. Baun treasurer and G. M. Simmons secretary, has been organized at Richmondville. The club has ordered a large shipment of bass for restocking Summit lake.

Richmond Springs has public market days. The proprietor of the Richmond house has established it as a feature of his hotel, and the sales are held each Saturday.

The safe in the store of J. F. Barstow at West Winfield was blown open last week Wednesday and about \$150 in coin taken. Though the door was blown to smithereens a basket of eggs on the top of the safe was not disturbed.

Simon F. Ullman, for many years a quoted a drop in the price of eggs, hop dealer in New York city, died last Saturday, aged 75 years. He was a in the number brought to the stores, former resident of Cooperstown, having built Ullman lodge on Oswego lake.

which he subsequently sold to Adolphus Busch. He was for many years of water glass and lime? Eggs were presented in Oswego county by the quoted at seventy cents in the local, late John Marsh.

The trolley company of Utica has petitioned the Public Service commission for permission to increase its urban fare to 19 cents. The company says it is losing \$2,000 per day and that the increase would not yield 8 percent on the investment.

An examination for postmaster to fill the vacancy now existing at Deposit will be held January 18 in that village. The salary is \$2,300 per year. On January 22 an examination will be held at Walton for postmaster at Granston. The salary is \$214 per year.

Fifteen employees of the Utica trolley lines have been dropped from the rolls of the company for gambling. The men were shooting craps and playing cards in the street car barns when they should have been on duty.

### RED CROSS CONTRIBUTES \$500

LOCAL CHAPTER MAKES GENEROUS GIFT TO CHILD FEEDING FUND.

William Shuts of 25 Grove Street sends Money Earned Selling Papers — Fund Now Over \$5,000 and Growing Daily — Largest Number of Contributors in Single Day.

Two notable subscriptions were received yesterday for the Child Feeding Fund. One contribution of \$100 came from the Oneonta chapter, American Red Cross. It will save the lives of 50 of the famished children of Europe and this generous support of the project from the Red Cross of this city should encourage the branches which have been hesitating about this use of their funds to make equally liberal gifts to this worthy cause.

The second gift was only a thousandth part of that of the Red Cross. It came from William Shuts, a lad of 11 years, residing at 25 Grove Street, who carried the money selling papers. The lad certainly has evidenced the true Christmas spirit by contributing something for the enjoyment of others. One of the gratifying features of the local efforts of this fund has been the co-operation extended by the boys and girls of both the day and the Sunday schools.

The fund has now gone beyond \$5,000 and it is within the possibilities without being a burden upon anyone, if those who are able contribute their share, to reach the \$5,000 requested by the Hoover committee.

The donations of yesterday follow:

Mrs. O. C. McCrum	\$ 25.00
Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Tadlock	5.00
L. W. ....	1.00
A Friend (mailed)	1.00
Mrs. Alice Crouch	1.00
T. D. Grade, Normal school	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Reynolds	5.00
A Friend	1.00
Charles A. DeLong	2.00
Julia Thompson	1.00
Elk Creek Grange	11.00
Miss McCracken	1.00
Mrs. G. B. ....	2.00
Mrs. Horton's class, First Presbyterian S. S.	5.00
Mrs. J. H. Cherry Valley	2.00
Dr. and Mrs. N. B. Getman	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Watrous	5.00
Whig Corners Auxiliary	10.00
Cooperstown Red Cross	2.00
Mrs. H. H. ....	2.00
Geo. T. Reynolds	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. C. A. H.	5.00
Oneonta chapter American Red Cross	500.00
Dr. E. McDougal (3rd gift)	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dewar	10.00
Mrs. D. ....	2.00
C. Carpenter	1.00
Betty Jane Afton	5.00
Mrs. Merton L. Ford (2nd gift)	10.00
William Shuts	.50
W. H. Miller	5.00

### DEPOSIT TRIMS WANDERERS.

Local Boys Unfamiliar with League Rules, but Fight Hard.

The Wanderers went to pieces in the last few minutes of their game at Deposit on Thursday night with Company D and were defeated by a score of 49 to 25. The game was played under Interstate League rules, which the Oneonta boys were unacquainted and as a result they did not put up their usual good game. They held Deposit better than most teams that have met it, however, and put up a good showing during the first half, at the end of which the score stood 14 to 12 in favor of Deposit. The game continued fairly close in the second main until the last ten minutes, when the manager of the Oneonta squad made a change in lineup that went bad. From then until the end, the deposit players had their own way and walked away with the game.

WANDERERS—			
Gregory, rf.	1	9	11
Perry, lf.	2	4	8
Martin, c.	1	0	2
Dusow, rg.	2	0	4
Tamsett, lg.	0	0	0
Kunkern, sub.	0	0	0
Totals	6	13	25
DEPOSIT—			
Gill, rf.	4	0	5
Lee, lf.	2	14	24
Adams, c.	2	0	4
Carey, rg.	1	0	2
Smith, lg.	1	0	2
Totals	10	14	40

### Woman's Latest Venture.

An engineering factory, organized, controlled, and managed by women, who also execute the orders at the lathe and in the foundry—that is the latest enterprise of the "weaker sex." It is one which deserves every success.

At the head of the firm, called Atlanta, Ltd., is Lady Parsons, the wife of the famous engineer and inventor of the steam turbine. The factory was started in the Midlands by 20 women ex-war workers. Good orders have already been secured, and Lady Parsons is convinced that these pioneer women engineers will be successful.

"There is nothing," she says, "that a woman cannot do when she tries."

W. F. ....	5.00
Mrs. Wm. McLennon, R. D. 2	5.00
Everett Hicks	10.00
W. Knapp	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holmes	5.00
Claude M. Bulson, Schenectady	5.00
Bennett T. Bulson, Schenectady	5.00
Mrs. Edward D. Lewis	10.00
Total	690.00
Previously reported	4,464.20
Total to date	\$5,154.20

## Christmas Is Here

We Wish You All A Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year

May You Live to Enjoy Many Such Christmases And May the Good Things of Life Be Yours in Abundance

**CARR CLOTHING COMPANY**  
175 Main St.



Christmas is the day which brings out the best that is in the heart.

For one day, at least, no one is ashamed to show forth his good will and exhibit his innate friendliness.

To our friends—to everyone—we offer the hope that this year Christmas will mean more than ever before.

**Lauren & Rowe**

# JOIN THE Wilber National Bank Christmas Club

## A SIMPLE SYSTEMATIC SAVING PLAN

Here's What Small Weekly Payments Will Amount To:-

Deposit \$ .50 Weekly, in 50 Weeks You Get \$25  
Deposit \$1.00 Weekly, in 50 Weeks You Get \$50

Deposit \$2.00 Weekly, in 50 Weeks You Get \$100  
Deposit \$5.00 Weekly, in 50 Weeks You Get \$250

You Will Receive Interest if You Pay Weekly and Complete Your Club Payments

# CLUB NOW OPEN

Call and Let Us Explain Our Club Plan and Show You Our Small Coupon Books,—Easily Carried in Pocket or Bag. You Can Join By Mail.

# WILBER NATIONAL BANK

ONEONTA, N. Y.